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WELCOME TO THE HARD BOILED CODA...

The repercussions of this month's smash hit photostory have not stopped us producing another piping hot serving of GB wisdom...

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Editor

It was the kind of case I didn't like to be reminded of, one of those nasty ones you can never scrape off the heel of your shoe. On the surface of it, none of it made any sense. How did Alex Lee, an apparently mild mannered private eye, meet such an unexpected end? I understood it had to do with dark events out of the past that happened in Sunderland long ago.

Alex Lee



Deputy Art Editor

A great veil of confusion surrounded Rob Sharp's involvement in the affair. There were those who said he was in reality the criminal mastermind behind all of it, others who protested his innocence. Still others said Rob lurked in the shadows behind both points of view, promoting each to obscure the truth for dark purposes of his own.

Rob Sharp



Marc Keating



Art Editor

One of those who refused to cooperate with me by answering a few simple questions was Marc Keating. All he would say was that he wasn't even in Europa House on the day it all happened though I managed to unearth sufficient evidence to the contrary. Shortly after I talked to him, he disappeared. A witness saw him in a pool hall arguing with a couple of pool sharks over a game. They left together, and Marc wasn't seen again, dead or alive.

Andy Sharp



Senior Staff Writer

Searching through Andy Sharp's personal effects only served to compound the mystery. They included a Skinny Puppy CD, a Let's Play Chess primer and a teaspoon with a sticker saying 'EPROM tool' on it. I was no closer to clearing anything up but inside the chess primer was the highly suggestive inscription, 'Property of Rob S.'

Production Editor

Ian Lynch was only prepared to speak to me over the phone from a public call box after I'd contacted him through anonymous intermediaries. He said he was living in fear of his life, but when I asked him to justify his terror he was unable to comply. He claimed that dark vehicles driven by men in mirrored sunglasses followed him around before he went into hiding. Before we could speak further, the call was cut off.

Ian Lynch



Staff Writer

Handwriting analysis comparing the words in the chess primer with those scrawled on something called the Zelda Guide proved conclusively that the book did not belong to Rob Smith. I was completely unable, however, to obtain any samples of Rob Sharp's handwriting. Almost inevitably, the chess primer went missing between my office and the analysis lab.

Robert Smith



Jason Spiller

Contributor

As for me, my name is Jason Spiller. I was brought into the case by a woman with blonde hair to follow up on the job started by Alex Lee. Ever since I've had the feeling that someone was listening in to my phone calls and that mirrorshaded men in black cars were following me wherever I went.

(Editor's note: These are Jason Spiller's last known words. He has "unfortunately" disappeared without trace.)



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Considerably more exciting than fishing and a lot less cruel to fish, GB Action's news pages are more uplifting than an extra support brassiere. It's an info overload – there's no end to what we wanna tell ya 'bout the world's greatest hand held. It's a beauty!

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Played to the death and scored accurately and objectively, these are the reviews to believe. We're still the only dedicated Game Boy magazine, and we've been around for beards now. We know what we're doing and we do it well. Check 'em out – now.

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Ubisoft and Sony Imagesoft are the guilty parties in providing us with the stupendous prizes this month. Ubisoft have F-1 Pole Position carts and replica F-1 carts for us as well as Indiana Jones memorabilia. Sony Imagesoft are offering Last Action Hero and Dracula goodies.

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The longest and most exciting saga since the Fosdykes, The Empire Strikes Back is finally conquered in glorious technicolour this month. The first half of our enormous map of the Legend Of Zelda is comin' at ya, too. There's also another mint serving of hints, cheats and codes.

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No other magazine has anywhere near the number of pages of Game Boy coverage as GB Action.

Flicking through so-called 'rival' publications it's blatantly obvious that we have loads more pages devoted to Nintendo's portable palm pleaser than any other mag.

Next month will see Nintendo giving GB Action their official stamp of approval. Two pages devoted to the Nintendo Hotline will be packed full of exclusive hints, tips, cheats and special challenges. That's even more reason to keep on buying GB Action. The quality and quantity will never wain. **ALEX LEE**

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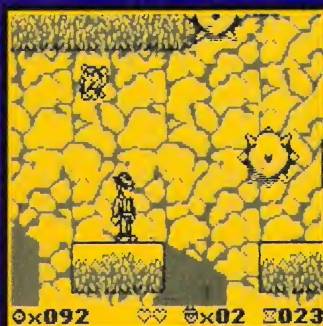


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GB Action will never con you with reviews of incomplete games.

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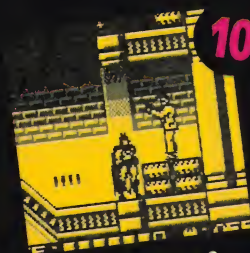
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...WHEN THE DOOR BURST OPEN AND IN CAME MISS MONEYPENNY. AFTER WE'D FLIRTED POINTLESSLY FOR A FEW SECONDS SHE SAID M WAS WAITING TO SEE ME WITH DETAILS OF MY NEW MISSION.

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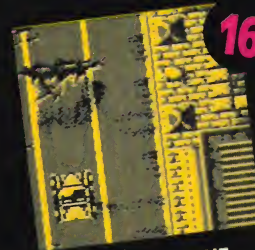
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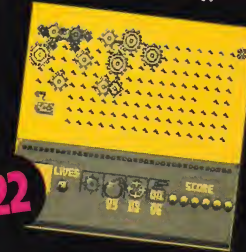
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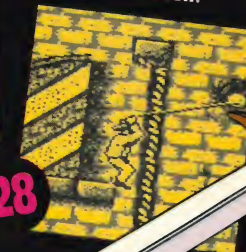
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The Game Boy is the world's best hand held. The GB Action news pages are the best in the universe. Simple.

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HOTLINE

Right: The poor devils who have to answer your calls all day.

The biggest thing to hit GB Action since its conception happens next month.

From the February issue onwards, there will be an official Nintendo Hotline feature in GB Action.

The world's only Game Boy dedicated magazine will bring to you exclusive hints, tips and cheats direct from

the talented staff at the official Nintendo Hotline HQ.

There'll also be some extra special exclusive promotions coming your way, but they're a secret for now.

Check out next month's GB Action - it's unmissable. In fact, place an order. There's a coupon on the Next Month page.

I can't wait - can you?



Right: It's a better job than some, however. I'd rather do this than work for some other hand held and console manufacturer.



SISTER MAGS

The four mags on the right are all related to GB Action. All published by Europress Interactive, these titles are guaranteed to be considerably more of a riveting read than rival publications. You read it here first. Buy 'em.

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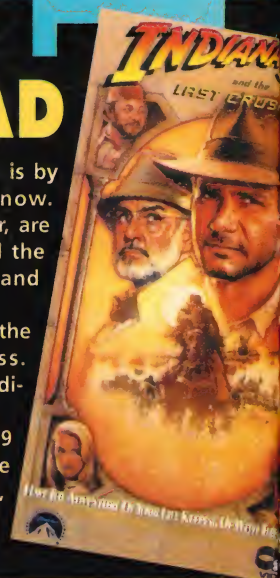
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INDY OVERLOAD

Ubisoft's Indiana Jones And The Last Crusade is by no means the only Indy-related item out now. Three of the most action packed movies ever, are now available on vid from CIC. Harrison Ford has all the fun as Indiana Jones, the Ancient History lecturer and part-time explorer.

The film trilogy is up there with the greats such as the Star Wars movies in terms of box office success. Paramount Pictures' finest can be bought for the incredible bargain price of £10.99.

The Last Crusade, The Temple Of Doom are £10.99 each and The Lost Ark is £12.99. If, for some strange reason, you don't think that's particularly good value, then you could always enter our Ubisoft competition on page 48 and win all three.





DOIN' THE BOXBOY BEAT

Astounding Things have created an amazing new accessory for the Game Boy.

Manufactured and distributed by Beaujolly, the Boxboy acts as a second skin for the 'Boy.

The first one we've seen is decorated with Jurassic Park artwork and comes with a free Boxboy poster.

Available for the eminently affordable £1.99, it's available from all good retailers now. What a top Christmas present for the Game Boy owner who thought he had everything.

Astounding Things was launched just over a year ago.

There are 2-4 Boxboy designs due out every month from now, thus keeping up with the latest, most popular releases.



SCOOP

Pester Power – How To Reach Kids In 1994 is the title of a one-day conference to be held in London on March 9th.

Among the speakers is Nintendo UK's marketing director, Michael Hayes. Interested adults give Jane Stevens a call on 0932 820802.

Work on Nintendo's Tetris II is currently well under way, but the release date is still anyone's guess. Why? Because the product has been sent back for extra work on it to make doubly certain that it lives up to its original – unlike certain movies that have been popping up the last few years.

British Heavyweight Boxing Champion Herbie Hide was the first person to play Muhammed Ali Heavyweight Boxing.

Under the watchful eye of The Greatest, he proceeded to lose to the pixelised form of he who floated like a butterfly and stung like a bee.

Hide commented: 'If you're gonna have a role model, you might as well pick the best – and that's Ali. It was great to meet up with him and to play Muhammed Ali Heavyweight Boxing, even if he did beat me.'

That's all for now folks, keep your eyes peeled for more soon. GB Action brings you the most exciting news from the Game Boy world.

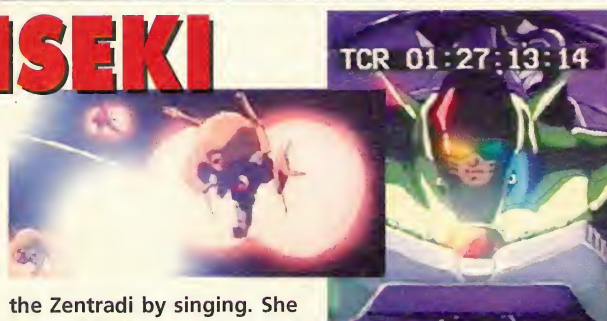
CHRISTMAS KISEKI

Macross II Episodes One and Two went down a treat on video. Kiseki Films have now released the follow up.

Timed to appear in Christmas stockings across the nation, Episodes Three and Four are now available on one 56 minute video. After Hibiki and Ishtar watch another Network Of UN Spacy 'edited' report

about the Culture Park incident, Ishtar decides she wants to see Wendy Ryder at the Valkyrie Moonbase Festival. Hibiki and Ishtar stowaway on the Macross ship. Ishtar activates a panel and reveals she isn't a Meltran to Hibiki. She's a Marduk – the race who have enslaved the Zentradi.

Ishtar is an emulator – a high priestess controlling



the Zentradi by singing. She reckons Macross is the famous Marduk ship Alus. Both are unaware that Silvie has followed them and overhears her confession. After a row, Hibiki persuades Silvie not to take Ishtar to the UN Spacy authorities. At the Festival, Silvie and co perform acrobatics and Wendy Ryder sings a few numbers. Arriving in time to save the ladies, Ishtar persuades Hibiki to take her to Feff's ship. Feff informs Hibiki that his efforts to deceive Ishtar



regarding humanity have been unsuccessful and jails his two captives, but they escape. Ishtar is persuaded to sing a song of earth in an attempt to stop the war.

Out now, cert 15, £10.99.

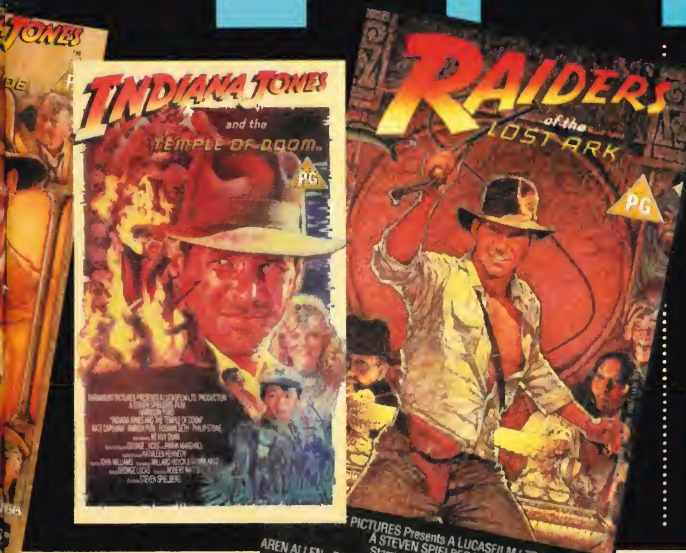


UK CHART

This is the chart to be believed. Elspa have the most accurate chart rendering facilities known to man.

- 1) JURASSIC PARK Ocean
- 2) ZELDA Nintendo
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- 4) SUPER MARIO LAND Nintendo
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- 7) LEMMINGS Nintendo
- 8) TAZMANIA THQ International
- 9) GOLF Nintendo
- 10) THE FLINTSTONES Taito

So that's how it looks for the New Year, plenty of ream new entry's for you to sample. Will Jurassic Park be taking the No.1 slot for as long as the movie or can we see Zelda zip to the top?



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A NATION OF KILLERS?



A study by Aston University's Communications Research Group found that only 3% of children reported any parental guidance on the kind of video game they could play. This was in contrast to 58% who stated that their parents restricted the TV shows they could watch.

The study, researched in August, surveyed 150 children aged 7-16, selected because they expressed an interest in video games. It was based around questionnaires, interviews and discussion groups.

Almost three quarters (74% to be exact) of the children had their video games in their bedrooms. Most of the group reckoned their parents were too daft to test the games themselves. Roger Bennett, general secretary of Elspa, said the results showed a lack of

parental interest in the content of the games. "Whilst the report also casts doubt on a number of concerns often voiced by parents, such as the supposed links between violence and computer games, I find the absence of parental guidance worrying."

Claims that children can become addicted to video games also received little support from the study. Although the children in the sample had already expressed an interest in video games, they spent only a modest amount of time playing them, as opposed to other leisure pursuits. Eight out of ten surveyed said they actually preferred other activities.

Aston University's Dr Cumberbatch stated, 'Less than one in seven of the children surveyed had given up or reduced time on other hobbies to play video games.'

The researchers found that most kids reckoned aggression in response to video games is at no higher a level than that brought about by other games and pastimes. There was no indication that kids preferring beat 'em ups and shoot 'em ups to other game genres were more likely to show aggression towards others.

SUPER MARIO LEMONADO

Coca Cola chairman and chief executive Robert Goizueta has admitted that his firm is now looking more strongly into tapping into fads.

The theory is that brands such as Super Mario Lemonado and Gladiators sports drink will make a lot of money, then be phased out when the relevant fads die out. New lines will then replace the discontinued ones.

On that basis, Super Mario Lemonado should be with us for quite a while. Who knows, with the next hero being Link from Zelda III maybe Coca Cola'll be bringing us Link Lemonade in the near future?

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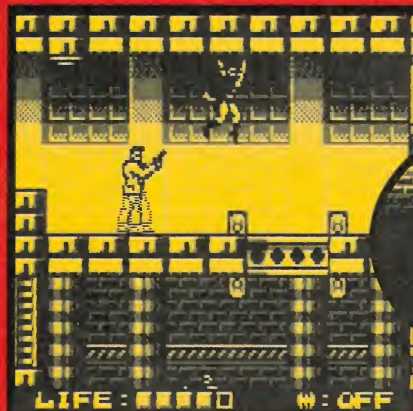
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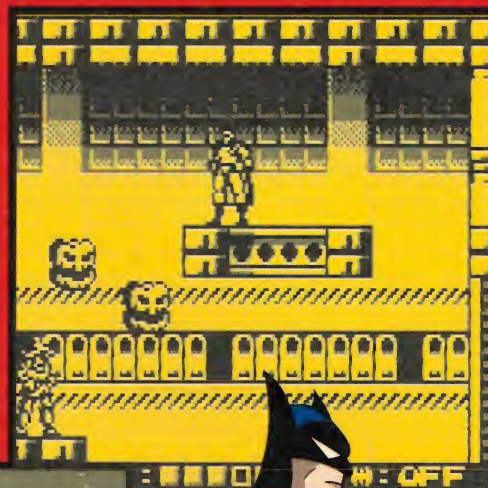
Left: An acrobatic Batman shows his skills off as he travels across the ceiling.



Above: Michael Keaton? Nothing but but a weedy Hollywood guy.



Below: Fancy foes and terrific backgrounds. Right: The Scarecrow takes a pounding!



Bat bonanza alert! Are we to expect to see the Joker or The Riddler? They're both here with their buddies. This time we have a whole range of new enemies including exploding teddy bears!

Having made numerous appearances in previously outdated underpants, Batman turns up this time in his newly animated form. This installment takes the winged wonder through the new series of cartoons which appear on TV. Very slick they are too!

Those of you who've played Return Of The Joker will know the general game layout. Platforms abound. If you've plenty of skill and cunning then it will come in handy here.

There are plenty of Super-villains everywhere, including some with part-time jobs. The Scarecrow and

Mr. Freeze are two of them and all the old adversaries are also around.

First off is The Joker - who's getting into the cuddly teddy bear business. Joker bears are, however, that little bit different. They're filled with a highly explosive time bomb! The evil so and so plans to take

Gotham all for his own and defeat Batman once and for all.

The first notable improvement on previous efforts is with the caped crusader himself. The sprite moves

with the grace of a ballet dancer. He does walk like a ballet star come to think of it, on his tip toes! He's easier to control than ever before. No swinging from ropes here, Batman

"An all-out winner once again for the Batman posse"



has a high powered grappling hook which enables our winged hero to escape from most of the sticky situations that arise.

Each level is broken into several

sections so when one of your three continues is used you start midway through the stage rather than at the start.

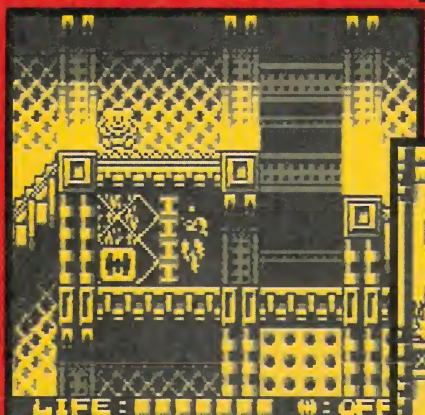
Don't think for a moment that this makes life easier for you. This is far from the truth. With all the hidden dangers including electric barriers, spikes in the floor, henchmen with either bombs or shotguns your game might not prove as successful as you'd hope!

As with the previous Batman excursions all aspects of the game are finely honed, down to the street lights in the distant city streets. Loads of detail and some intense gameplay means the animated series must surely become as equally popular as the other incarnations. Like the cartoon itself even.

Mr. Freeze brings a chill through the whole of Gotham and has to be stopped. Watch for the pistol carriers and a chance meeting with The Scarecrow. This is where Robin makes his appearance. It's down to you to find your way safely through the labyrinths.

Batarangs and some much needed extra energy icons can be collected throughout. Some are located in the strangest of places so don't leave any stone unturned!

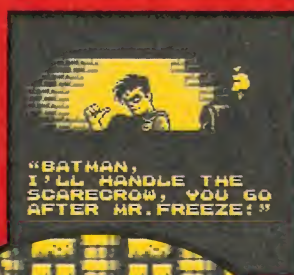
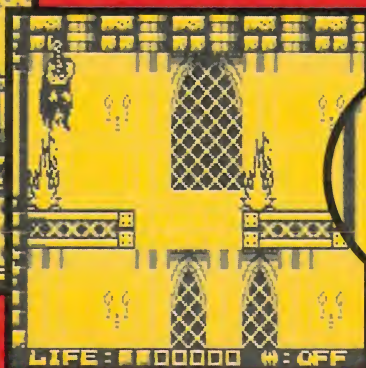
Bat Shark Repellent



Above: The batarangs are collected in containers of five. Use them wisely or suffer the consequences...

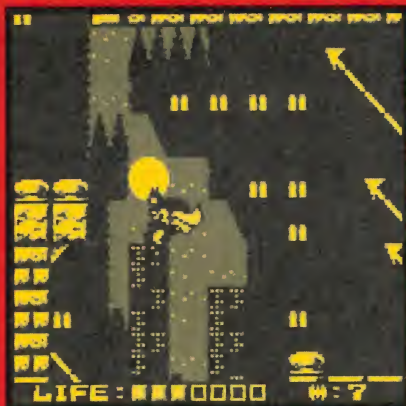
Right: Robin makes a guest appearance to help Batman along. He fails in his task and leaves it to his better half to complete.

Below: The teddy bears fight back.



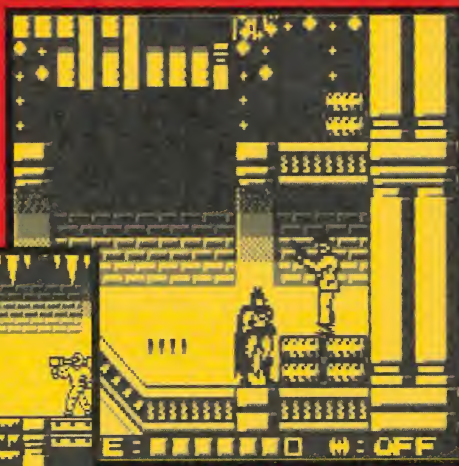
Above: The Joker laughs in your face as you fight for survival.

To the Batmobile!



Above: The bat flies into the night midway through the opening stage...

Below: A nicey bat figure struggles to defeat one of Mr. Freeze's henchmen. Not too successfully here though.



Above: Careful, or you'll be blasted away with an awfully powerful shotgun.

BATMAN THE ANIMATED SERIES

Sound is as you would expect with an eerie tune during the starting sequence and a racey groove over the main game. Punching and firing batarangs have their own distinctive noise but, let's face it, we all know the 'Boys sound limitations. You've probably heard them all by now!

For an all-out rampage against the forces of evil in Gotham city, what better to dazzle your foes than a bright blue pair of briefs? Batman swears by them but Robin prefers the light silky green number. This is surely the winning combination in terms of underwear.



One Batmobile. Good enough for the intro but not for the game.

This game is yet another all-out winner for the Batman posse. More of everything, including clearer and incredibly detailed graphics, makes this an improvement on the excellent Return Of The Joker.

Hurrah for super villains cos without them Batman wouldn't be around. Or would he?

Fans of the Batmobile will be saddened to learn it's been left in the

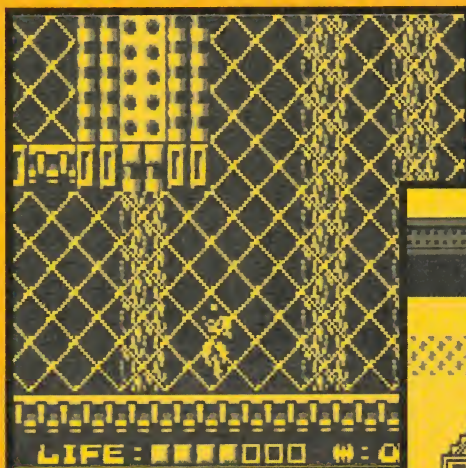
garage for this skirmish. No burning rubber through the streets of Gotham for you I'm afraid. Ah!

Well, you can't have everything all the time!

Plenty of time and effort has obviously been spent making this game such a force. The more you play the tougher it gets and the more impressed you become. Well I certainly did anyway. Trust me, I'm a tree surgeon!

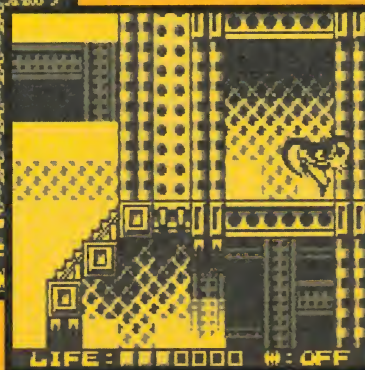
ANDY SHARP

"Time and effort have been spent making this game a force"



Above: A view of the winged one from behind a wire fence. Hmmm, interesting view point.

Below: Batman takes a stroll through the damp dingy levels taking no prisoners. Have no sympathy for evil doers!



GB PANEL



OFFICIAL RELEASE

PUBLISHER Konami

GENRE Platform

RELEASE DATE Out Now

PRICE £24.99

Basically this is another top cart in the Batman series. An improvement on Return Of The Joker in terms of playability, smooth scrolling and his new state of the art grappling hook. Neat intro sequences between each stage set the scene in style.

The Gotham city backdrop gives the game that gothic feel on the first stage as Batman explores the city buildings and rooftops. The only negative aspect for this platform bash is its lack of originality. The idea is much the same as the winged wonder's last outing against the Joker. Why fix something that isn't broken? Still, it's worth forking out your dosh for! This the most impressive licence for quite some time.

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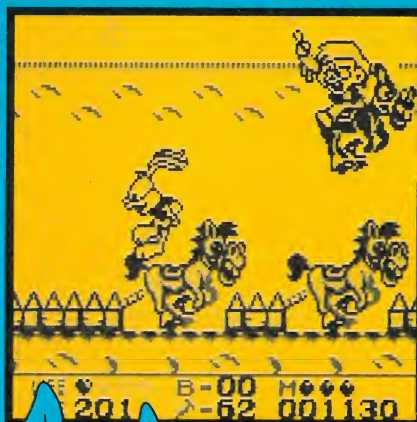
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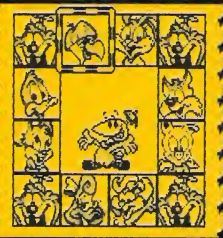
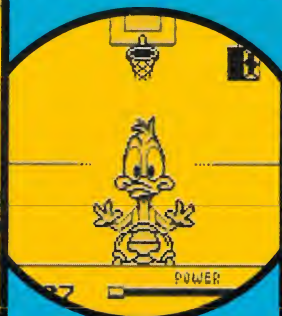
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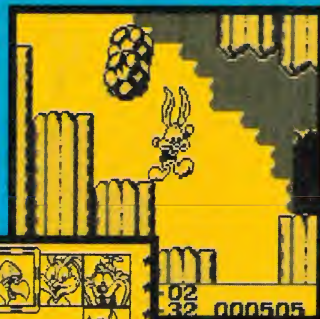
Get me some dip!



Left: Avoiding Cowboy Max at the end of the western takes a few circus skills. Below: Take on Plucky Duck in the one-on-one sub-game.



Left: Gogo Dodo and a few pals are happy to help. Above: Dodge the cascading boulders.



TINY TOONS 2

Some Toons have serious attitude problems. Montana Max has an ego the size of Africa. Buster Bunny is out to cut him down to size.

sub-games provide a little light relief in between the movies. Top notch animation adds to the cartoony feel making a pleasant platform caper likely to put a smile on your face.

The graphics are in the same cute style that made the first instalment of Tiny Toons Adventures so aesthetically endearing. Sonics are likewise bouncy and cheerful to keep the jolly spirit alive while the battle against Max rages.

There's the usual platform fare of collecting items, in this case carrots, in order to boost the bonus for completing a movie.

There are also the usual leaps over gaping chasms and leaping onto the heads of Max's henchmen. What makes TT2 so appealing though is the overall presentation of sound, looks, gameplay and novelty.

"The graphics are cute and the sonics bouncy, cheerful and appealing"

Montana Max has opened a new high-tech cinema in town. Very nice of him you may think but in fact this is one huge ego trip. Max has cast himself as the star and Buster Bunny as the villain.

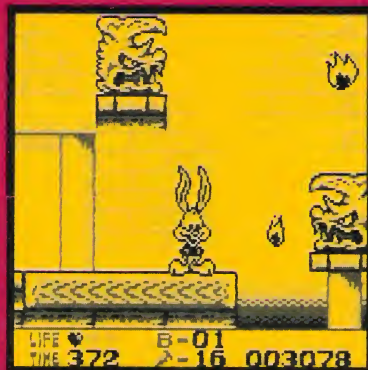
Buster and his Toon pals are rather unimpressed by this cinemagraphic offering.

Enlisting the help of his chum Gogo Dodo, Buster nips across into the movies to try and change the stories. Buster Bunny is no bad guy and he's gonna prove it!

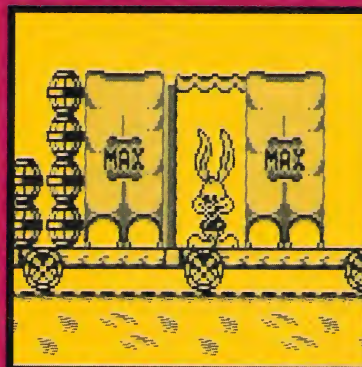
A western is the first film on offer. Not directed by John Ford, not starring John Wayne or Clint Eastwood, this is the movies Montana Max style. Gunfights and bar room brawls are out. Leaping over cacti and strolling past mooing cows are apparently in.

All the films are split into a number of smaller stages which should keep Buster on his toes as he hops, skips and jumps through the rugged countryside, imperial Japan, outer-space and a monster flick. Special dashes and leaps enable him to zip along through the levels at a real rip-roaring pace.

Basketball, tug-of-war and soccer



Above: Guardian statues spit fire in the samurai movie. Don't get singed!



Above: Rollin', rollin', rollin', keep them wagons rollin', Buster.

Buster's little buddies can offer help and encouragement in the form of more carrots and hearts. Everyone is rooting for Buster 'cos if he fails all the Toons will have to suffer a sitting at Max's naff films.

Battling in the movies against Cowboy Max, Kabuki Max, CyberMax and Franken-Max will provide great entertainment for the captive audience in the cinema. It'll also provide great entertainment for all those who enjoyed the first 'toon adventure.

ROB SMITH



Chinese lanterns, pretty and deadly.

GB PANEL



OFFICIAL RELEASE
PUBLISHER Konami
GENRE Platform
RELEASE DATE Out Now
PRICE £24.99

Montana's Movie Madness really is a pleasant little game which does a great job of what is a well worn style and idea. Okay so there is nothing innovative or original but it's put together with a bit of care and consideration. Although aimed primarily at the younger market it'll appeal to any games player who can appreciate its style and content.

I was a little concerned that TT2 was too easy since the first film was completed in a matter of minutes. Things became more challenging, however, in the later movies where new henchmen are thrown into Buster's path.

Definitely one for the younger audience. Mind you, TT2 will dish some light entertainment to any who lay their hands on a copy.



OVERALL

88%

F1 POLE POSITION

SO REAL YOU'LL SMELL BURNING RUBBER !



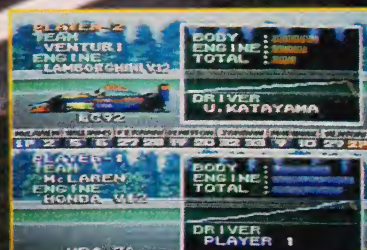
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player, split
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• 3 modes of play -
Free run, practice and
World Championship

• 16 tracks, 7 car designs
and 14 named drivers

• 5 ways to customize you
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suspension, wings and
transmission)

• Save your favourite
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many chicanes and a tunnel as
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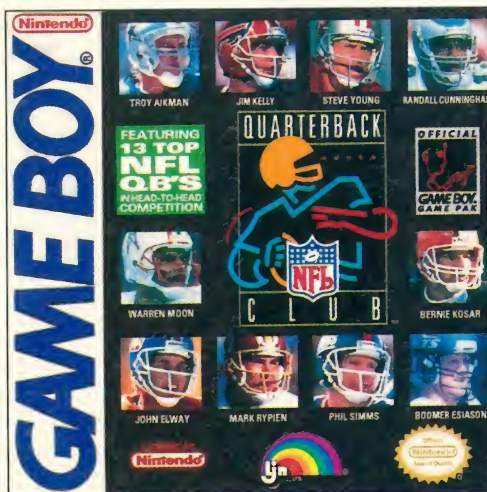
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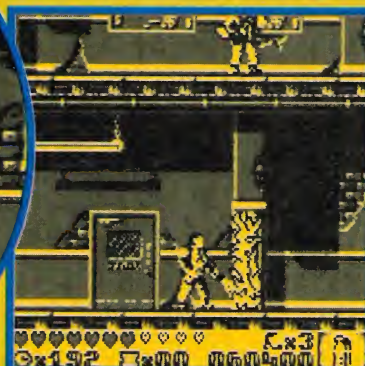


Above: Crash and burn on the freeway. Other cars can be smashed off the road to get those important tickets.



The tough world of the movie star is nothing next to the beatings given by yobs.

Below: There must be a machine somewhere at which Jack can swap the tickets for other handy items!



LAST ACTION HERO

Life in the movies is a doddle. Get into the real world and you start getting hurt. Jack Slater faces this problem as the Last Action Hero.

Getting your hands on a magical movie ticket and zipping into the celluloid world may seem like a dream come true to most. For young Danny Madigan this dream came true, but as a nightmare.

Dodging bullets and bad guys, shooting around in manic car chases and never getting hurt is tremendous fun as Danny finds out. With silver screen mega-star Jack Slater to do the real fighting Danny enjoys the ultimate rollercoaster ride. Things, of course, go wrong when movie villain Benedict gets hold of the ticket and uses it to flit to the 'real' world.

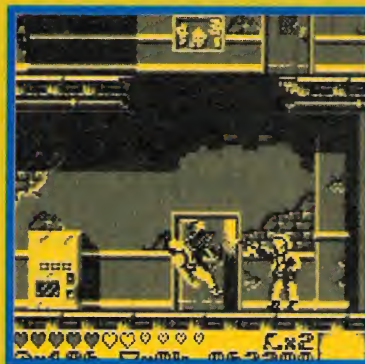
Jack just has to help. He pursues Benedict to this world where punches hurt and car crashes have an unnerving habit of being fatal. The mission to save the world begins, for some strange reason, in school. Here, street punks fight in gangs, gun-toting yobs run amok and fires are started for fun.

"Dodging bullets and bad guys and never getting hurt, tremendous fun"

Okay so Jack Slater is still one tough guy but is by no means the invincible persona put across in the movies. He discovers this nugget of info very early on as the yobs are more than capable of giving him a kickin' if he's not careful.

The basics of the job involve collecting a number of tickets which can be swapped for useful items like fire extinguishers and bombs. Tickets float around the detailed backdrop of the delapidated school and have to be collected, along with the few dropped by punks after you've beaten them senseless.

A roof-top meeting with the mad axeman, Ripper, can cause serious probs for Jack once he's sorted out the juvenile delinquents. This done, Jack takes to the pot-holed free-ways in a thrilling high speed car chase involving plenty of smashes,



Above: Bullets hurt. A young thug fills the screen star with lead.

crashes, death and destruction. Just the usual thing you'd expect to see on an American Interstate.

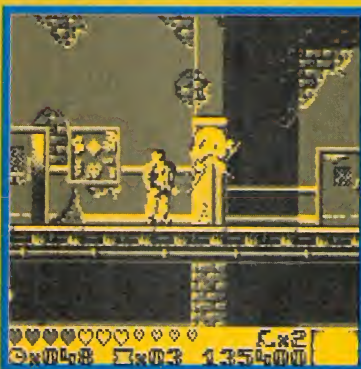
The Jack sprite moves quite effectively. Plenty of care has obviously gone into the shading when he moves. Jack also moves with some pace, a little too much at times as he can become difficult to control, especially when judging distance from an opponent for the special roundhouse kick.

There's some standard platform-beat-'em-up fare to enjoy and a fair bit of variation in the gameplay. Just enough overall to keep you interested in sticking with it to the end.

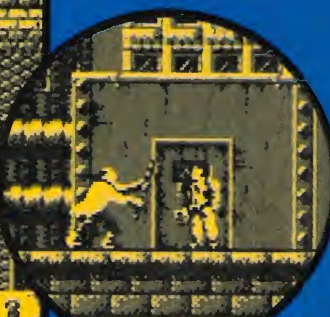
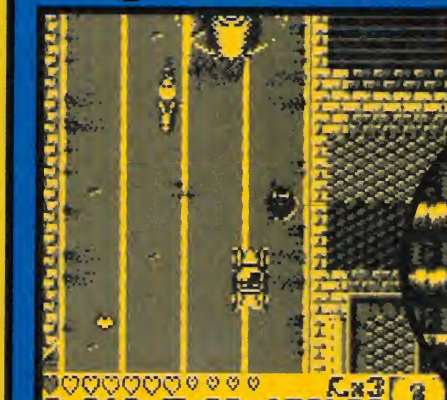
ROB SMITH

Say this word

Left: A bomb dropping helicopter does some damage to the highway and to Jack's car. Below: The first rooftop confrontation with mad axeman Ripper.



Above: Extra tickets are needed for bombs to blow doors in the school.



GB PANEL



OFFICIAL RELEASE

PUBLISHER Sony Imagesoft

GENRE Platform/Beat-'em-up

RELEASE DATE Out Now

PRICE £24.99

After Sony Imagesoft's disappointing last licence, Cliffhanger, Last Action Hero is a pleasant return to a bit of form. The film suffered badly on the back of Jurassic-mania but the spin-offs have still appeared.

The graphics are a vast improvement on Cliffhanger. The driving section adds a variation to the usual gameplay on offer. Having said that, repetition does crop up over the nine levels. Kill Ripper in scene two and he returns as a more awesome adversary in scene eight. Nil points for imagination.

Last Action Hero is by no means a classic but has some neat touches to enjoy for fans of the film and those not sick to death of platform/beat-'em-ups.

GAMEPLAY

PRESENTATION

LASTABILITY

OVERALL

80%

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ACTION

Fast-paced thumb-numbing action features prominently in this classic arcade shoot 'em up. Save mankind from an invasion of killer balloons - power-ups, exotic locations, wandering baddies, and wave after wave of murderous inflatables.



ADVENTURE

A heady mix of action, adventure and prehistoric nasties combine in this excellent sequel to Adventure Island. Features some weird and wonderful pick ups, and a whole gang of helpful dinosaurs to befriend and use.



STRATEGY

Chess meets swords, 'n' sorcery meets medieval warfare in this game of high strategy. Castle Quest is a totally new kind of electronic board game for 1 or 2 players.



CARTOON

One of the history's most popular and enduring cartoon characters take on the cream of the world's super villains in this brilliantly varied action adventure. Boasting sections on land, sea and air, and a whole Magic Bag of different tricks - Felix The Cat has playability by the pawful.



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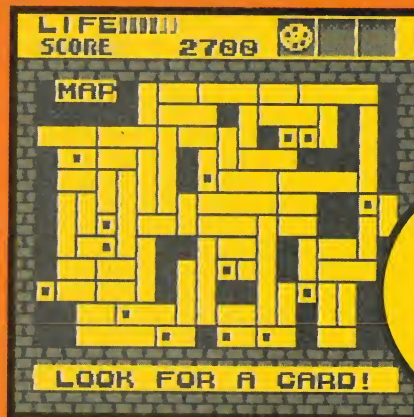
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Pizza to go



Left: Find your way to the baddies with this helpful little map. Below: Mikey twirls into the cave.



IF YOU DARE TO RESCUE THEM, COME TO THE ABANDONED MINE AT THE EDGE OF THE CITY.



Above: Mikey gets the message from the helpful villain. With a cow and a bunga he's off! The ninja skills are finely honed and he's ready for action.



It's a quiet, relaxing time for the Turtles. Shredder got his comeuppance a year ago and the heroes have had the chance to engage in a bit of rest and rehabilitation.

A pleasant evening in the Turtles' sewer retreat is interrupted by April's cheery face reporting on an amazing jail break. The ace news reporter is just about to reveal the name of the escaped villain when the report suddenly goes dead. Without pausing for breath three of the intrepid hero turtles leap into action on a rescue mission.

So, where was the old favourite Michaelangelo while these shenanigans were occurring? Hands up those who'd be surprised to learn that he was out at the pizza joint. Hmm, none, as I thought.

On returning to the hideaway Mikey notices that something is amiss. He's quick like that, y'know! Suddenly the TV crackles and an evil voice tells Mikey that his friends have been kidnapped. Perhaps Raphael, Donatello and Leonardo are a little ring rusty. Can this be right? Turtles captured? And who exactly is this heinous villain?

A challenge is laid down. If Mikey feels capable of pulling off this radical rescue he's told to go to the disused mine on the edge of town. Don't you just love these nice villains who tell you were to go to kick their butts?

TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES II

Turtle power returns with a Radical Rescue. Not only has April vanished but so have three of the boys. Mikey signals the cavalry charge. To the rescue!

Of course, Mikey can't resist such a challenge. His friends' lives are at stake, the pizza munching can go on hold for a while. Cowabunga dudes, Mikey's on his way.

The action starts outside the mine where already baddies start appearing thick and fast. It's now down to those ninja skills, the expertise with the nunchukas coming in very handy. A swift swipe and a flying leap will see Mikey into the mine where things start to get really tricky.

The mine is inhabited with all manner of hideous beasts from the marauding minions of the villain to bats and scorpions.

Descending into the hideous depths Michaelangelo has to keep all his wits about him as the beasts attempt to thwart his mission at every turn.

When zapped with a quick flick from the nunchukas some of the villains leave behind slices of the life-preserving pizza. Also scattered around the mine are other full piz-

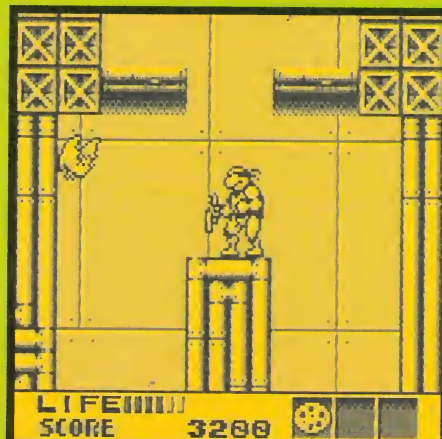
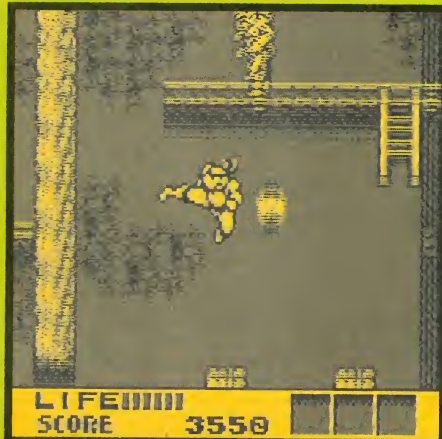
zas which happily replenish Mikey's flagging energy when things get a little hairy.

A very basic map gives a rough idea of the location of some of the bosses needing to be defeated in order to complete the rescue.

Finding your way to these locations isn't easy but after a few games you'll get to know where danger lurks, and how to avoid it.

The bosses present some serious problems for even the most adept of ninja-fighting turtles. They're difficult to defeat but when you finally send them to meet their maker you'll get back one of your pals.

"Nice villains kindly tell you where to go to kick their butts"



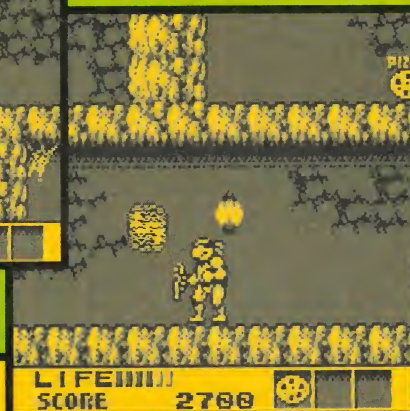
Far left: Mikey despatches enemies with a highly effective flying kick. Mid left and left: The Turtles have to see off bats and scorpions on this radical rescue mission. No problem when the green-shelled heroes are loose in kick ass mood.



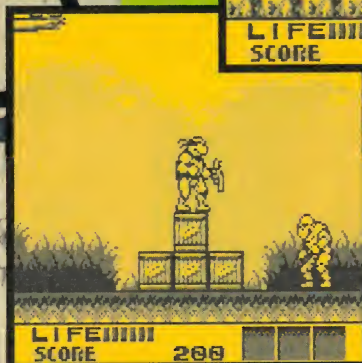
'I love being a Turtle!'



Left: The awesome power of the nunchukas in Mikey's more than capable ninja hands.



Above: Look out for falling masonry from the ceiling. It's no wonder this mine is closed if the roof keeps falling in. Left: The mummified bad guys start to get in the Mikey's way as he approaches the mine.



Leonardo is the first to be rescued. He'll swish, swipe and swash-buckle his way through the mine cutting enemies to bits with his sword. This is a neat feature of Turtles 3. When each of the guys are rescued you can select to play any one of them. Although their moves are all pretty much the same you do get a little bit of variation in the type of death-inducing weaponry they each pack.

The graphics are pretty neat, scrolling smoothly through each of the flipping(!) screens. Backdrops are sufficiently detailed to give some feel to the locations but don't obscure any of the action.

The animation on each of the Turtles is impressive. While most of the standard bad guys are not particularly detailed the bosses are bold and well-animated, as well as being rock 'ard! Sonics are quite average I'm afraid and add little to the overall experience of being a Turtle.

The nameless villain presents something of a major challenge for the young band of green-shelled heroes so if this kind of fare is your cup of tea then you should be kept entertained for a while.

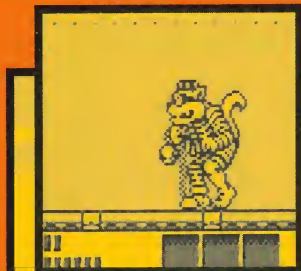
Not outstandingly original at all but perhaps expecting a spark of originality from a Turtles game is wishful thinking.

ROB SMITH

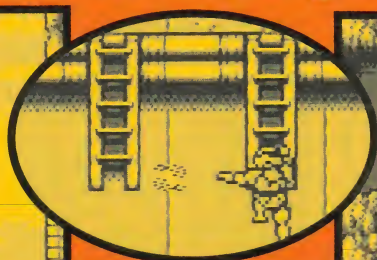
"Bosses are bold and well animated as well as being rock 'ard"

Fortunately a password system does let you continue from various points once you've reached a boss and probably had a good kickin'.

It's not easy being green



Top left: The first mean looking boss. Left: The second isn't much friendlier either! Above: Throwing shurikens are one of the deadly skills.



A bad guy gets vaporised after meeting with the uncompromising justice of a Turtle.

GB PANEL



OFFICIAL RELEASE

PUBLISHER Konami

GENRE Platform/Beat'em-up

RELEASE DATE January

PRICE £24.99

They're back with more pizza munching and cowabunga-ing. How much can we handle? There's nothing to particularly dislike or get annoyed about in this latest Turtle adventure, it's a dead standard platform-cum-beat 'em up.

For the ardent Turtle fan it'll probably be highly enjoyable but it just doesn't offer enough to persuade new converts to become devotees of Turtle ninja antics.

The neatly polished aspects of the Radical Rescue prove that effort and care have been put into the production of the game.

Unfortunately little went into creating something new or vaguely innovative. Pleasant enough but dull in the "we've seen it all before" mould. There's not much more to say about it.

GAMEPLAY

PRESENTATION

LASTABILITY

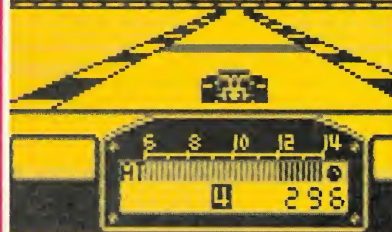
OVERALL

79%

Race to victory

TP: 1/16TH LAP 7 TOTAL 02' 28" 8
LAP 1' 09" 98

Storming through the finishing line at top speed but there's still another six laps after this one. Keep concentrating.



Right: Mansell never got this kind of congratulation on the rostrum. There's no wimpy bunches of flowers to be seen!

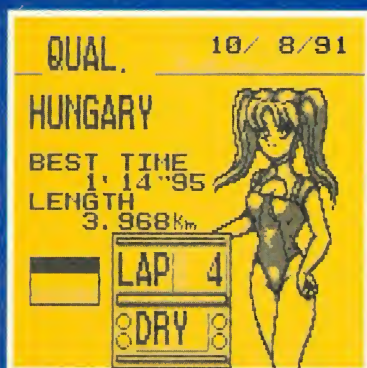


TP: 1/16TH LAP 3 TOTAL 03' 08" 2
LAP 0' 30" 58

Powering past one of the also-rans. A collision could be costly so stay alert.



Left: Take the chequered flag in world beating style. After eight laps of high pressure racing some celebrating is in order.



Above: Babes present the qualifying info in very appealing fashion.

F-1 POLE

Who do you wanna be? Prost? Senna? Mansell? Murray Walker? Be whoever you want and drive for any team in Ubi Soft's F1 flyer.

Let's be honest, there are one or two driving games already on the market, ranging from the quite awful to the jolly decent. Ubi Soft are taking a bit of a gamble throwing their two-penneth into the arena.

It does seem like a worthwhile gamble, however, as F1 joins some of the very best at the top of the driving game pile.

A slightly different angle has been presented to the standard format of lining up on the grid and then blasting off towards the chequered flag. With Pole Position your presence on the grid ready for the green light has to be earned.

The world of the formula one driver is high pressure and high profile. They don't just let anyone wander on to the grid on a whim of wanting to be world champion. In this game you have to earn that vaunted honour by competing for a contract.

There're loads of options to change the set up of your car so no complaints can be made about the useless hardware if you fail to qualify. The usual pros and cons apply. An automatic gearbox gives the lowest maximum speed but of course is easier to control.

Tyres can be changed to suit the conditions and other bits of chassis and suspension can be tweaked into the format with which you're most comfortable.

Now, with a smart pit crew to help out with fresh tyres and other bits which you may bend while out on the circuit, you're ready to qualify.

The track is your own. A list of times already posted by the likes of Prost and Mansell give you some idea of your target. It's gonna be a real case of foot to the floor, high speed corners and no holds barred

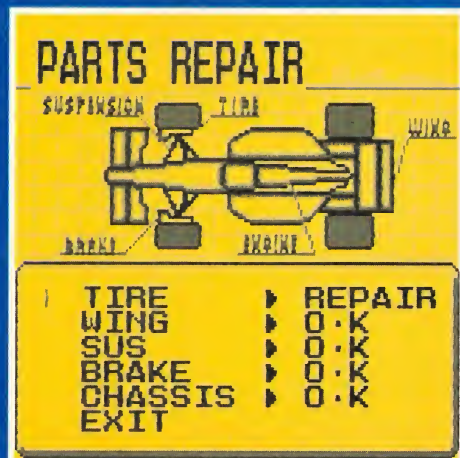
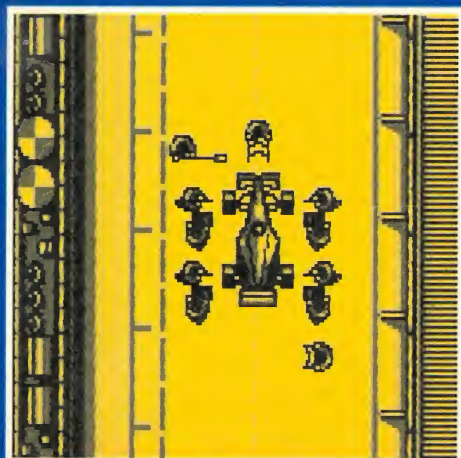
aggressive driving to be one of the top sixteen and earn your place among the greats.

Team bosses expect some kind of return for their expensive investment. Running a car in the world championships costs an arm and a leg, especially when you lose control on any of the incredibly dangerous hairpin bends!

The pressure is on to qualify for at least two and complete at least one of the four races for which you're originally contracted.

Viewing the car from behind there're four qualifying laps to make the time. Make the grade and you'll line up on the grid alongside Ferrari's, William's and McLaren's.

"You have to earn the honour of competing in Grand Prix"



Far left: Pull into the pits for fresh rubber. Mid left: The mechanics get working on a speedy pit stop. Left: The tyres have taken some hammer on the tight corners due to my naff driving. A repair job is in order.

Vrrooom!!



Above: Struggling to control a tight right hand bend with a steep left to follow. These F1 drivers have to stay alert.

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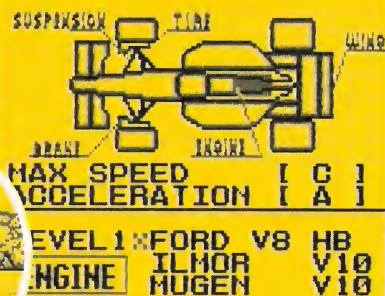


RACES LEFT 4



Top Left: The fourth contract. Bottom left: Green light for go on the qualifying lap.

SETTING



Above: The settings could prove vital. Careful consideration is needed to get maximum performance out of the car.

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OFFICIAL RELEASE

PUBLISHER UBI Soft

GENRE Driving Sim

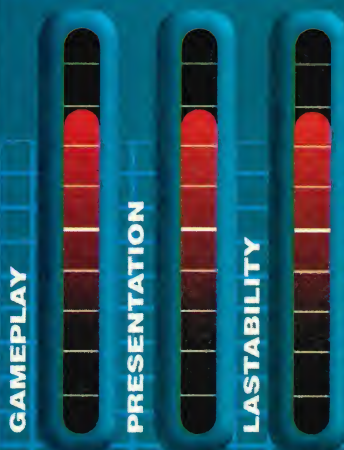
RELEASE DATE Out Now

PRICE £24.99

Through the congestion of the driving game market F1 Pole Position breezes into the top three. Surpassed only by Nigel Mansell's, F1 offers plenty of speeding action. The new angle of earning a contract gives what could be another standard sim a breath of fresh air.

It's not perfect though, like not getting a new contract even though I led the world championship by a virtually unassailable margin. The times aren't entirely accurate. It just so happens that there was a neat 21/100ths of a second between all the places. Coincidence that, isn't it?

F1 Pole Position offers a real driving challenge. There's enough here to test the qualities of learners and advanced motorists alike.



OVERALL

83%

The need for speed



Left: Check the rear mirror to see cars approaching, then pull in front of them! Below: Arms aloft for another lap of honour.



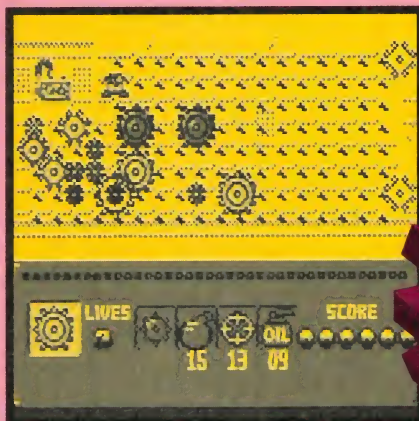
RESULTS FINAL RACE

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1	ROB	06' 45''09
2	ALESI	06' 45''30
3	PIQUET	06' 45''51
4	BERGER	06' 45''72
5	ANDRETTI	06' 45''93

YOU ARE RANKED 1

Above: A fine result but just look how evenly spaced all the others finished. I'm sure I lapped most of them as well!

Daisy daisy



Left: Take a good look at this shot. It will look very familiar soon.



Left: The leaning tower of Pisa, complete with sub levels, looks suspiciously like the Tardis.

The Sphinx is the second stage and here is the progress screen.

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Gisa-Egypt

GEARWORKS

Manic cog distribution alert! A bizarre puzzler for all you budding clocksmiths out there (?). Here's the task of a lifetime for y'all...

Do you have what it takes to transform 12 of the Wonders of the World into humongous time pieces? Well, that's your goal in life when you slap this cart into your 'Boy! Strange, but true. What will they think of next?

To help you on your way is a big tool box overflowing with live explosives, oil and more gears than you could probably think of.

Along with all this is the all-important high powered rifle. Why would you need a rifle I hear you cry? Well, this game isn't just as simple as constructing working mechanisms. You also have to get rid of the Poffins.

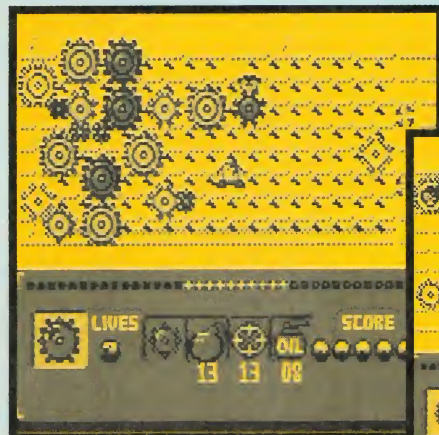
Poffins are out to make your difficult task even more daunting! Poffins are gremlins specialising in the art of getting in the way. Not only do they rust gears to prevent them spinning on their mounting pegs, they also break the important pegs thus scuppering your vital progress.

Each gear is a different size and it takes a while to discover where they link properly.

Link all the gears successfully and you'll have completed one of the sub levels that make up part of the whole clock. Don't you feel great!

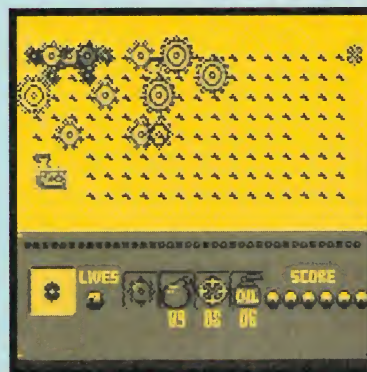
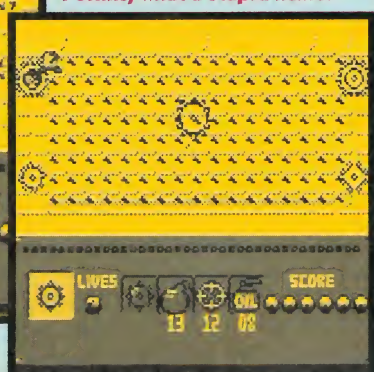
Occasionally a gear will seize and your trusty oil can has to be used to loosen it up again. Don't let the Poffins ruin your day.

"it may be an original concept but it hasn't been converted well"



Above: Poffins, gears and pegs! Here they are in all their 'glory!'

Below: Watch out for the Poffins for they will cause you untold problems the further you get. Poffins, what a stupid name.



Place the gears wisely and complete the chain... if you can be bothered!

Such a strange concept for a game but is it any good? Well, frankly, it's not much cop. Not only is it tedious, some of the gears are so small you can barely see them with a naked eye.

For such a simple gameplan it seems to take an ice age before you understand exactly what's expected of you. A monitor in the bottom left of the screen provides a little help by letting you know what size gear is coming next.

Controls are pretty simple to use once you've spent a little time playing. That's if you really want to spend that amount of time playing this. It's just so difficult to get into.

For those people who will actually perservere, passwords are available. These allow you to restart anywhere in the game.

Ultimately, as far as puzzle games go, it may be an original concept but it hasn't converted gracefully onto the small screen. There are many more essential puzzlers on the shelves of your local stores. Krusty's Fun House and the mighty Spltz for example. GearWorks may break the mould, but it won't stand the test of time! **ANDY SHARP**

GB PANEL



OFFICIAL RELEASE

PUBLISHER Sony Imagesoft

GENRE Puzzle

RELEASE DATE Out Now

PRICE £24.99

What is going on when a totally average game is converted onto the Game Boy? I really don't understand why somebody attempted to turn this puzzler into a Game Boy game.

Despite the originality of the concept, the end result is quite poor. Some of the gears are so small you need a magnifying glass to see them. It seems to me that the whole thing is a wasted project. It's guaranteed to annoy anybody who has the misfortune to play this monstrosity.

The greatest puzzle about this is why anyone would want to play it? There are no redeeming factors for this sad game.

GearWorks takes ages to suss and the dismal gameplay makes the effort totally unworthwhile.



OVERALL

42%



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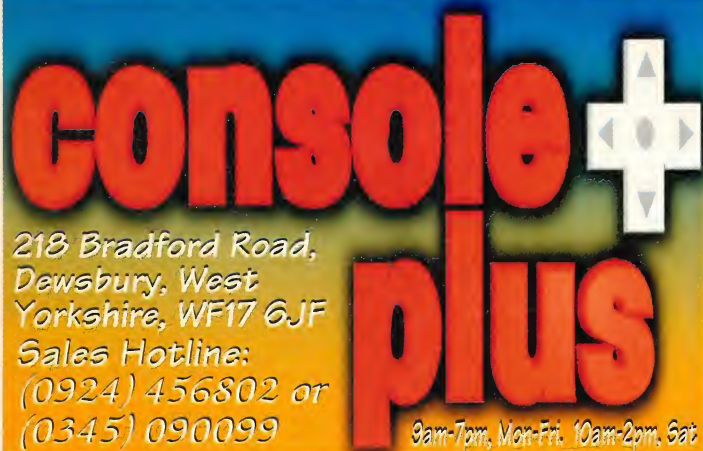
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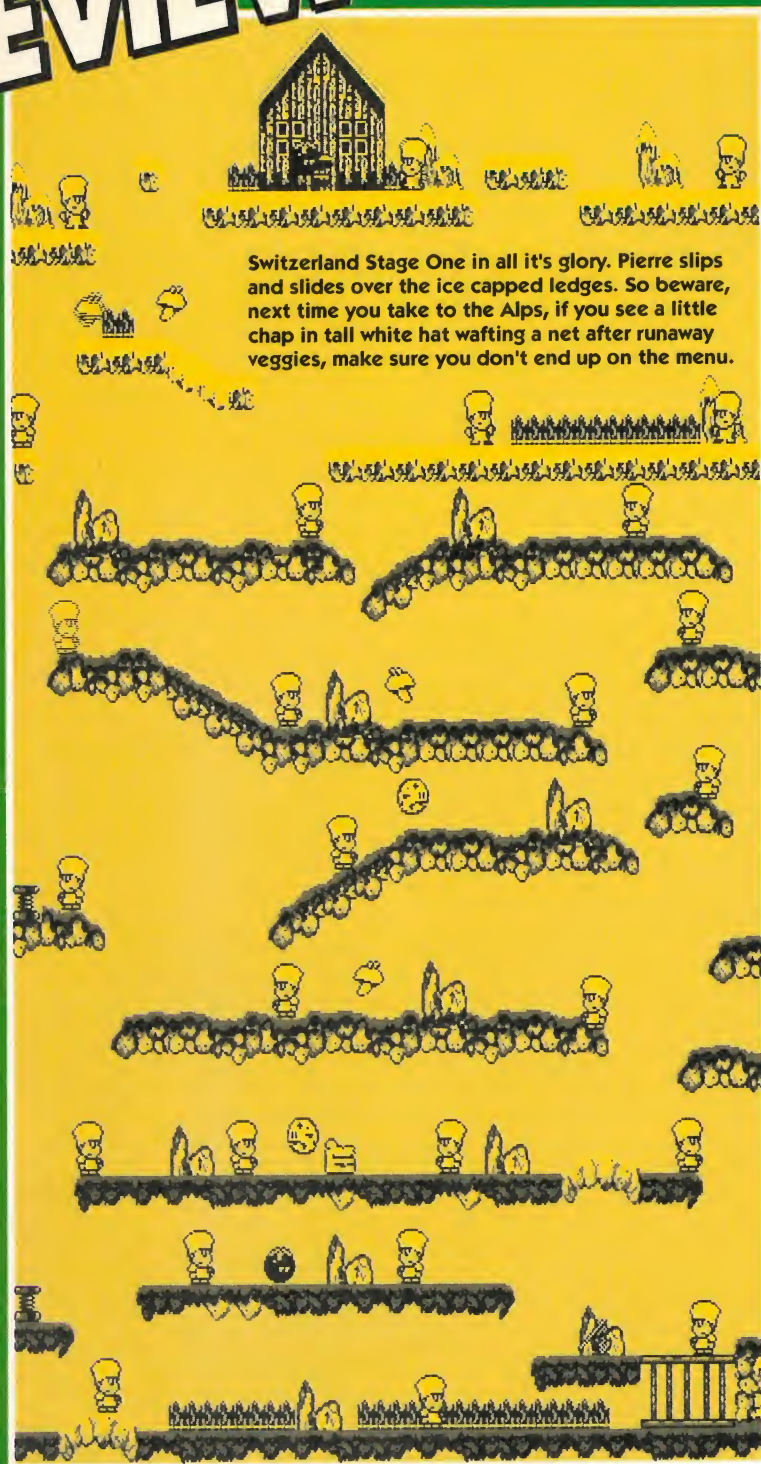
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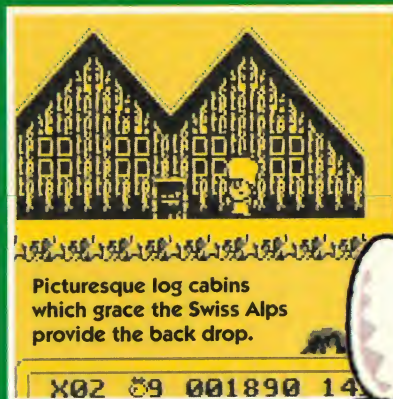
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Switzerland Stage One in all it's glory. Pierre slips and slides over the ice capped ledges. So beware, next time you take to the Alps, if you see a little chap in tall white hat wafting a net after runaway veggies, make sure you don't end up on the menu.



Picturesque log cabins which grace the Swiss Alps provide the back drop.

OUT

Pierre le chef est arrivé. A worldwide reputation for culinary wizardry is at stake and it's up to you to keep it intact.

The rich and famous people of the world are going to have to eat junk food or even cook for themselves if Pierre fails in this little mission. Makes your heart bleed just thinking about the possibility.

Y'see, Pierre's ingredients have done a runner, skipped bail, gone AWOL, pegged it. The little French chef, famed throughout the land for his skill with a mixing bowl and spatula, must now trog through various countries, retrieving said food.

It's that simple. Jet around to some far flung places famous for

their mouth-watering cuisine and collect the runaway ingredients.

What Pierre needs to accomplish this tiresome task is a net. Located near the start of each stage Pierre must grab this net and then with a swish and a twirl, hook the mushrooms and tomatoes. The dastardly veggies don't stand still and just let Pierre drag them off to the cooking pot. Ohhh no.

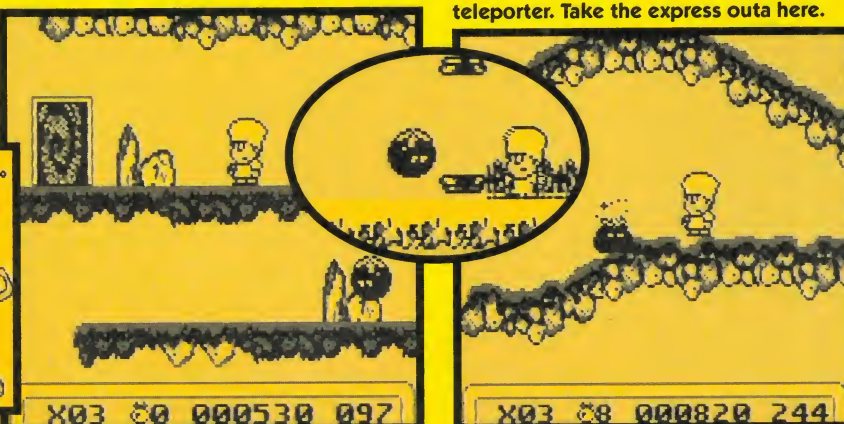
Obviously rather chuffed by this new found freedom the ingredients hop, skip and jump around, knocking the wind out of poor Pierre if he deems to get in their way. Vicious veggies!

There are a number of ways Pierre can assert his authority over the garnishes. The easiest and most

"Starring the little chef famed for skill with mixing bowl and spatula"

Marco Pierre White

Right: The warp door. At last Pierre can escape from this barren land to... another barren land. Below: Are you ready?



Below: Having suffered the weight of Pierre on his head the veggie sits stunned. Only for a sec, though. Inset: A teleporter. Take the express outa here.

CONVERSELY

Well really, we beg to differ! We're prepared to concede that Out to Lunch doesn't match up to the all-conquering Chicken but it is annoyingly addictive all the same. It seems like a simple game but pitting your memory against the clock results in a genuine challenge, especially when you just fail to complete a level. We rate it 83%. Other Rob & Andy

Right: The bells! The bells! And not a cow in sight. Far Right: The cage into which Pierre must place the food before it's served up in some posh eaterie



OUT TO LUNCH

effective is to leap on top of them and then quickly scoop them up in the net while they sit stunned by what's just happened.

Also available are bags of flour which stun the food when thrown, and sauce bottles which enable Pierre to shoot a fiery bolt, inflicting an instant cooking.

Once captured the ingredients have to be placed in a cage for safe keeping. Eight bits of food need to be caught and caged in the opening levels. A warp door then opens up which Pierre can use to be transported to the next stage or country.

The snow-capped mountains of Switzerland provide Pierre with his first jaunt. Rocky outcrops are used to leap from ledge to ledge, capture the food and then return it to the safe keeping of the cage.

As you might expect from ice covered ledges in Switzerland, they are a little slippery. Pierre has to indulge in a touch of John Curry-esque skating (nice figure skater man from the seventies) making control of the little chef a bit awkward and at times annoyingly sluggish and unresponsive.

Things are complicated by bacteria roaming around and infecting Pierre's captured food. Then there's the jealous Le Chef Noir. This ruffian is envious of our Pierre's success and will endeavour to get in his way and prevent the culinary king getting his gastronomic masterpiece onto the dinner table.

Graphically, Out To Lunch is cute enough, but suffers from being unfortunately bland. The Pierre sprite is small and isn't well detailed, but has a couple of cute little expressions when he falls or is bashed by a rogue ingredient.

The music is jolly enough with quite appealing in-game tunes and FX, presenting Out To Lunch as a pleasant, wistful and jolly little platform caper. It's a shame that all this is marred by the fact that there's absolutely nothing to it.

While the stages of each country vary a little, the challenges throughout the game are all the same. A time limit for completing each

stage, and finding the warp door out of there gives some sense of urgency but this doesn't help make the levels at all appealing.

There's little to motivate Pierre to make sure that the delicacies are served for the rich and famous before they get hungry or agitated.

Professional pride is all that can be keeping Pierre bounding around the same stages and not just rustling up some beans on toast instead.

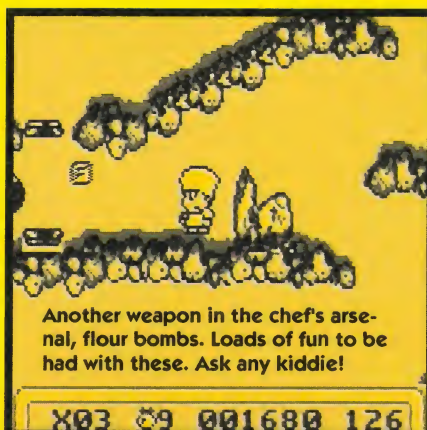
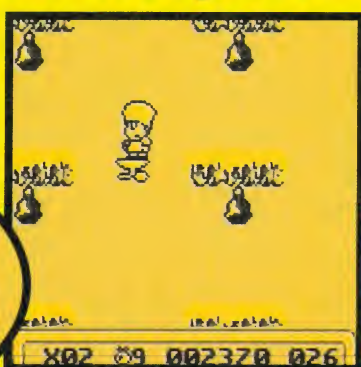
I'm surprised that there can be so little to Out To Lunch. Perhaps there're some secret bonus levels floating around just waiting to be found and break up the monotony.

Unfortunately the grabbing of ingredients, falling from ledges and finding the warp doors is too infuriating. If Pierre is carrying a number of ingredients but then gets bashed by something, those captured bits escape making him have to go and grab them again. All very annoying. As you may've guessed, this isn't one of my favourites. **ROB SMITH**

"Pierre has a couple of cute expressions when he falls, great."

Mmm! Free hotpot!

Below: Sauce with a real kick. When not employed in the kitchen it makes ideal wallpaper stripper. Right: Which floor sir? Pierre takes a lift to retrieve the net.



Another weapon in the chef's arsenal, flour bombs. Loads of fun to be had with these. Ask any kiddie!

GB PANEL



OFFICIAL RELEASE

PUBLISHER Mindscape

GENRE Platform

RELEASE DATE January

PRICE £24.99

Well, the graphics are okay, the sound's okay, it plays okay, but Out To Lunch is intensely boring. I can't give it too low a mark because what it does it does well enough but what is there to it?

Each platform stage is fairly small so there's little challenge. The leaping around on to the ingredients has very little endearing appeal. Later stages offer little else new, maybe a transporter or two. It won't take long for you not to care what Pierre serves up.

Having produced the engaging platform romp Alfred Chicken, Mindscape have proved that they can produce really good games. Unfortunately the blandness of Out To Lunch means that I'm afraid this simply just isn't one of them. Erm, sorry!

GAMEPLAY

PRESENTATION

LASTABILITY

OVERALL

60%

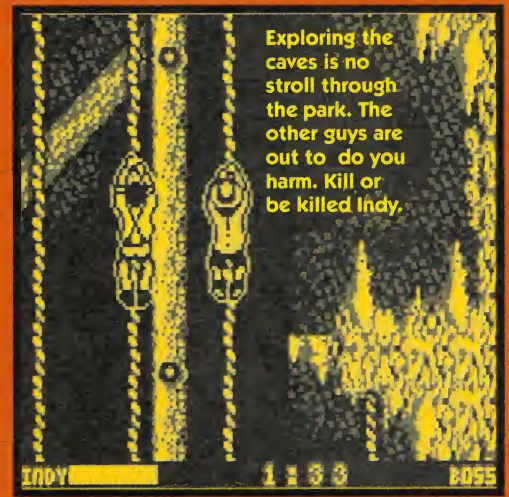
REVIEW

Ahh, rats!

Below: The second end of level nasty is this red indian type guy. Unfortunately it won't take too long to suss him out.

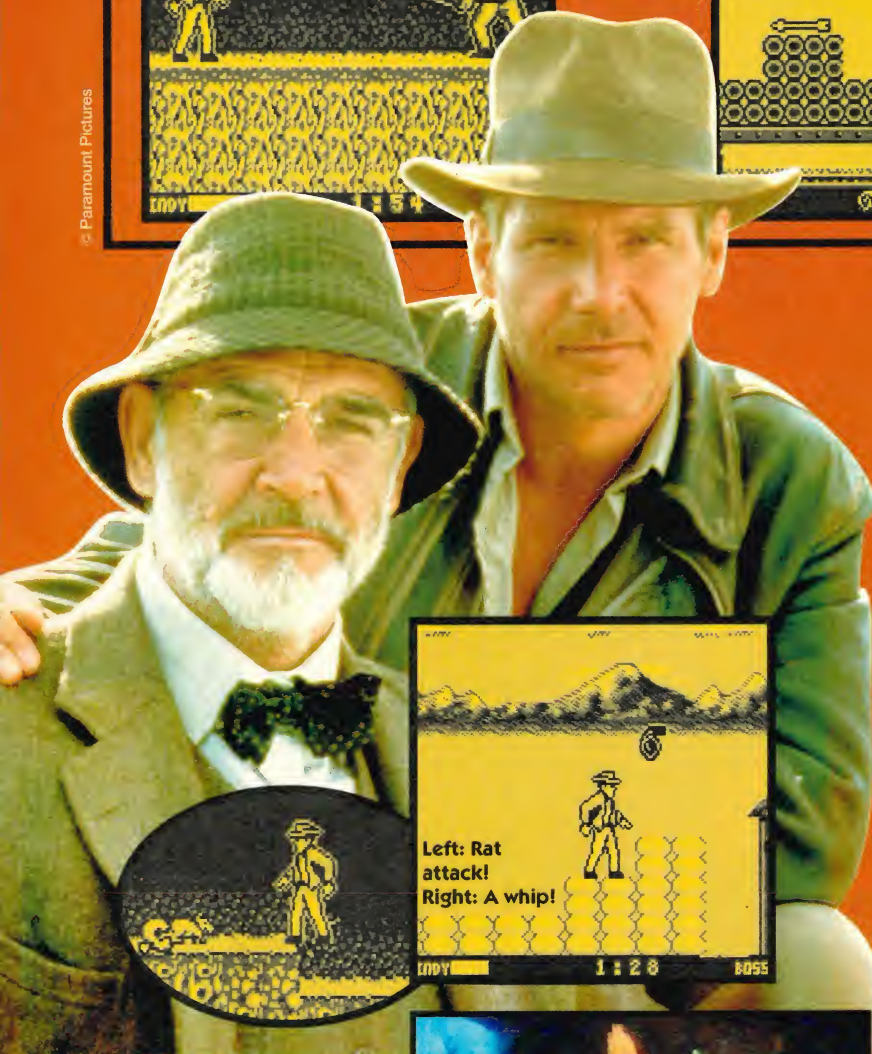


Left: The man with a stick. Make sure you don't wind up being on the end of the stick. This is the first nasty.



Exploring the caves is no stroll through the park. The other guys are out to do you harm. Kill or be killed Indy.

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Left: Rat attack! Right: A whip!

Film spots



"Ah, Venice."



"Dr Jones?"

"Yes?"

"Yes?"



"That's the cup of a carpenter."

"X never, ever marks the spot."

INDIANA JONES AND THE TEMPLE OF DOOM

With the fourth Indiana Jones movie supposedly in the pipeline it seems strange that Crusade has taken this long to be converted to the 'Boy. Oddly enough, UBI Soft who brought us the Star Wars games close to ten years after their cinema release now unleash Indy onto the small screen.

For the uninitiated, Indy's Pa (dad) has been kidnapped during his attempts to find the Holy Grail. It's up to our hero to rescue his father and find the Holy Grail. This is all your task entails.

"Throughout the levels you can pick up a number of weapons, including a whip"

Battle through the six levels, tackling a vast array of nasties and natural occurrences such as falling rocks and the like.

Begin by exploring the caves before travelling by train top and tackling bridges, rivers and a huge great Zeppelin.

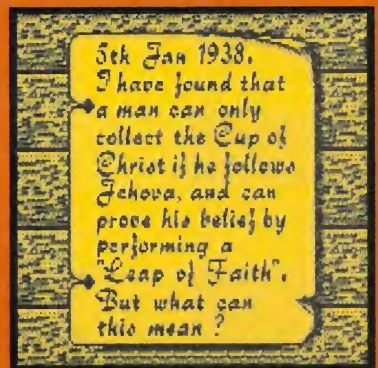
Throughout the levels you can pick up a number of weapons including a whip.

If it comes down to it you can always use ye olde faithful, fisticuffs.

What of the game itself then? Well, the sprites are sufficiently large throughout and it's quite relaxing to play. Relaxing in that



Indy's whip will come in very handy indeed on the outside of the castle. He'll do his best Tarzan impression.

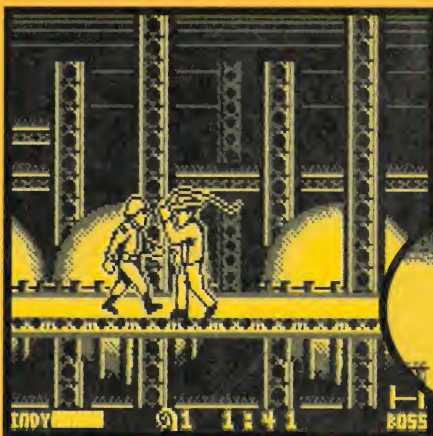


Seh Jan 1938.
I have found that a man can only collect the Cup of Christ if he follows Jehova, and can prove his belief by performing a "Leap of Faith". But what can this mean?

The completed document means you can exit the level whenever you're ready.

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No ticket!



Left: Taking a ride aboard a Zeppelin proves to be no easy time for Indy. The Nazis will do anything to stop him. Below: On the train. Watching the wildlife!



Left: A priceless gem is found. Time to make your escape. Below: Lost and tired!



INDIANA JONES LAST CRUSADE

Four years after the movie hit the streets the game arrives. What on Earth's going on? Gone With The Wind will be next...

Indy seems to have no sense of urgency as he swats the opposition to one side. This is a little strange because every second counts as the clock runs down from the two minute mark!

Extra time and energy can be grabbed from certain locations which makes Indy's task that little less daunting. This isn't to say there's no extracting of hair from one's scalp at any time.

The graphics are top notch, even if Indy does have a Ready Brek glow around him in the cave sections, and the controls are properly responsive. This combination makes Indy's Last Crusade one to be in awe of.

It isn't too difficult to kill the enemies, a couple of hits and they're wasted. The end of level nasties do become slightly more difficult but aren't overly challenging at the end of the day. This is a minor fault as the time limits and the low number of continues make up for this

downfall. The annoying things from the catacombs level are the boulders which fall from the roof as you collect the four icons which make up the X and give you the information you need for the shield.

Some serious exploration of the caves is needed before you can locate the exit. Keep your eyes peeled for the dangers which lurk everywhere.

Next stage up sees Indy hopping from carriage to carriage escaping the bad guys with the treasure found in the cave.

As you progress you get to see other scenes from the mega movie, including the rescue of Dr. Jones senior from the castle. This stage comes complete with swinging (using the much loved Indy whip) which can be found throughout the different levels.

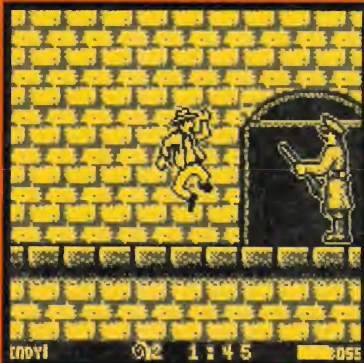
One of Indy And The Last Crusade's disappointing aspects is how small the stages are. Once you've sussed them out you'll be

hopping from platform to platform knowing just what will happen in next to no time at all. Some memorising skills will prove invaluable.

This isn't to say it's a bad game, it's just not the most gripping jaunt you'll ever come across. Indy doesn't come close to the epic Star Wars battles but is one of the more attractive movie licences to date!

Neat animation throughout and even the tried and tested Indiana Jones theme is here in all its glory! In all honesty what more could you ask for?

So, will Dr. Jones rescue Dr. Jones senior and find the grail? Well, that's up to you! This may not be a classic cart but it certainly does warrant a closer look! **ANDY SHARP**



One of the tougher guardians to defeat. His large pump action shotgun will take some avoiding.

GB PANEL



OFFICIAL RELEASE

PUBLISHER UBI Soft

GENRE Platform

RELEASE DATE Out Now

PRICE £24.99

Having spent some considerable time getting through the Nazi soldiers and the plethora of other hindrances I can safely say that Indy, while being exceptional on the first few plays, soon becomes a bit of a pain.

Maybe it's just me but once I got past the first level the second level was a breeze. The challenge does hot up a little after this but Indy seems to have no urgency in his stride. The password system is handy and the continues will be of a great help but all in all Indy seems to lack the punch possessed by a classic. I still rate the theme score though. It's practically unbeatable!

With a bit more punch and bigger levels this would undoubtedly be a classic cart.

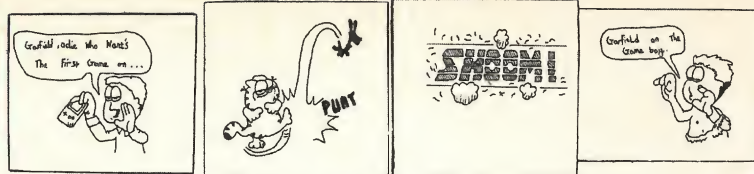
GAMEPLAY

PRESENTATION

LASTABILITY

OVERALL

84%



David Dickinson, Preston.



Stewart Audus, Leeds.



Ben Roper, Gainsborough. (again)



Ben Adams, Wigan.

GARFIELD WINNERS

They're so good we've devoted a whole page to the outstanding entries of our compo.



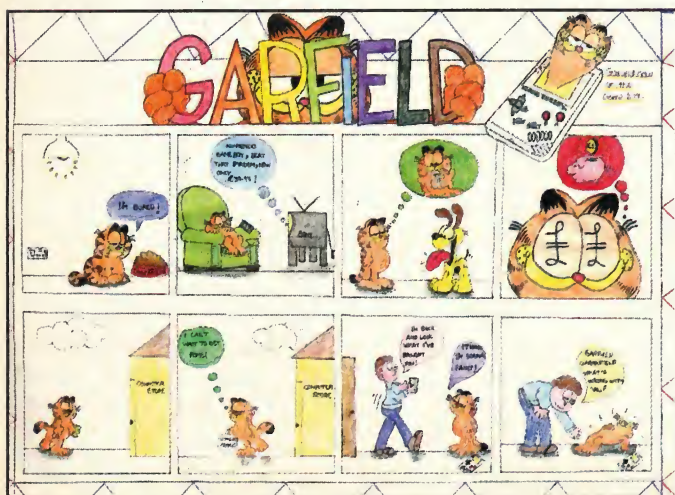
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Amber March, Leicester.



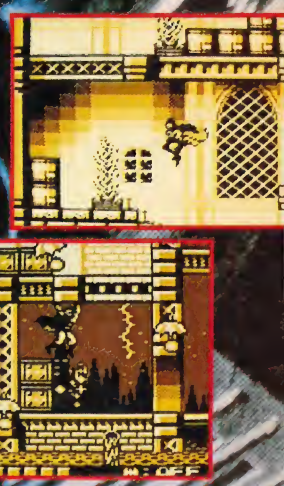
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Richard Copping, Amesbury.



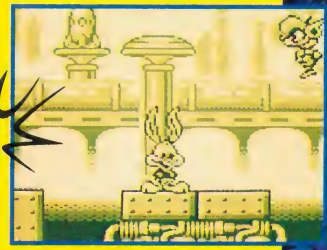
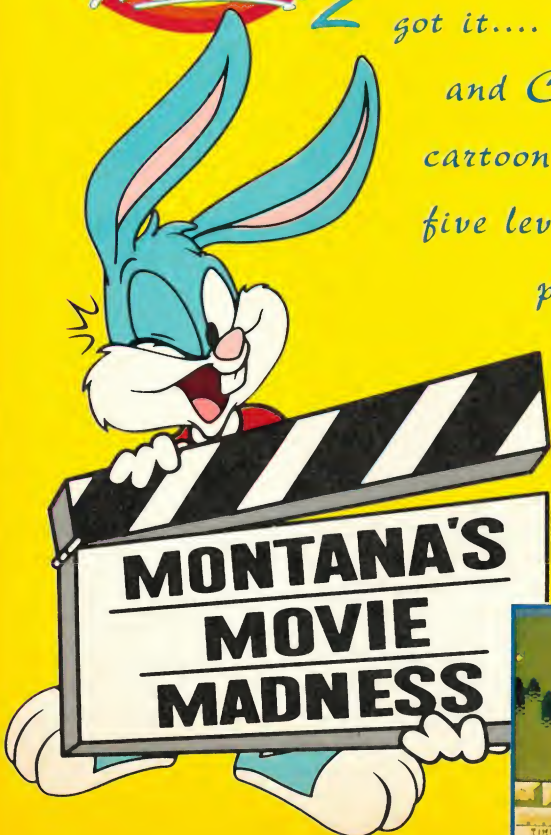
THE JOKER, THE RIDDLER, THE PENGUIN, CATWOMAN, POISON IVY AND THE SCARECROW, BATMAN AND ROBIN HAVE THEIR WORK CUT OUT IF THEY'RE TO KEEP GOTHAM CITY FREE OF THESE MISERABLE MUTANTS AND THEIR DASTARDLY DEEDS.



GAME BOY



Montana Max is causing havoc in movie land and guess who has to sort him out? You got it.... Buster Bunny and Co. More crazy cartoon capers through five levels of hilarious platform action.



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Mystery Solved

Last month's Agatha Christie style mystery has been solved by one Greg Meeson of Newport, Shropshire. He's kindly put our minds at rest. Perhaps we can actually have a peaceful nights sleep now. The mystery code is for ... (cue drum roll)... Probotector.

Goal!

Should you wish to dispense with all the hassle of having to compete in the qualifying rounds of the Super Cup, type in this code to play England against Germany in the final.

5Q6CB8
BBGDBL

VGCVVC
GCVHFP

Garfield

Not more level codes. This time courtesy of K.J. Osborn. Sorry 'nearly mad 38 year old' can't help you with level 41.

31. GBMF

36. STBR

32. HGLD

37. CRGN

33. BCRD

38. ZGGM

34. DGLL

39. HFLP

35. WGRM

40. FNDG

Kirby's Dream Land

Graeme McDougall from Hook has let us know about a configuration screen in this popular little platformer. On the title screen press down on the control pad, button B and select at the same time. You'll then be able to choose the number of lives (upto nine) and amount of energy per life as well as change the music and sound FX.

Legend of Zelda

Below we present handy hints starting at the end of the Bottle Grotto. Then feast your eyes on our huge map and maps and tips for dungeons three and four.

Getting the key to the Key Cavern

This involves doing a favour for Richard, occupier of the villa. He'll ask you to get five leaves from the castle. You'll need the assistance of Kiki the monkey so have some bananas ready.

The three leaves in the castle itself are easily accessible, a little sword and bomb work will see you right. One of the others comes from the Raven and the last is from the little bombing man outside the castle. Give him a bit of a whack when he pops his head up and you'll get your reward.

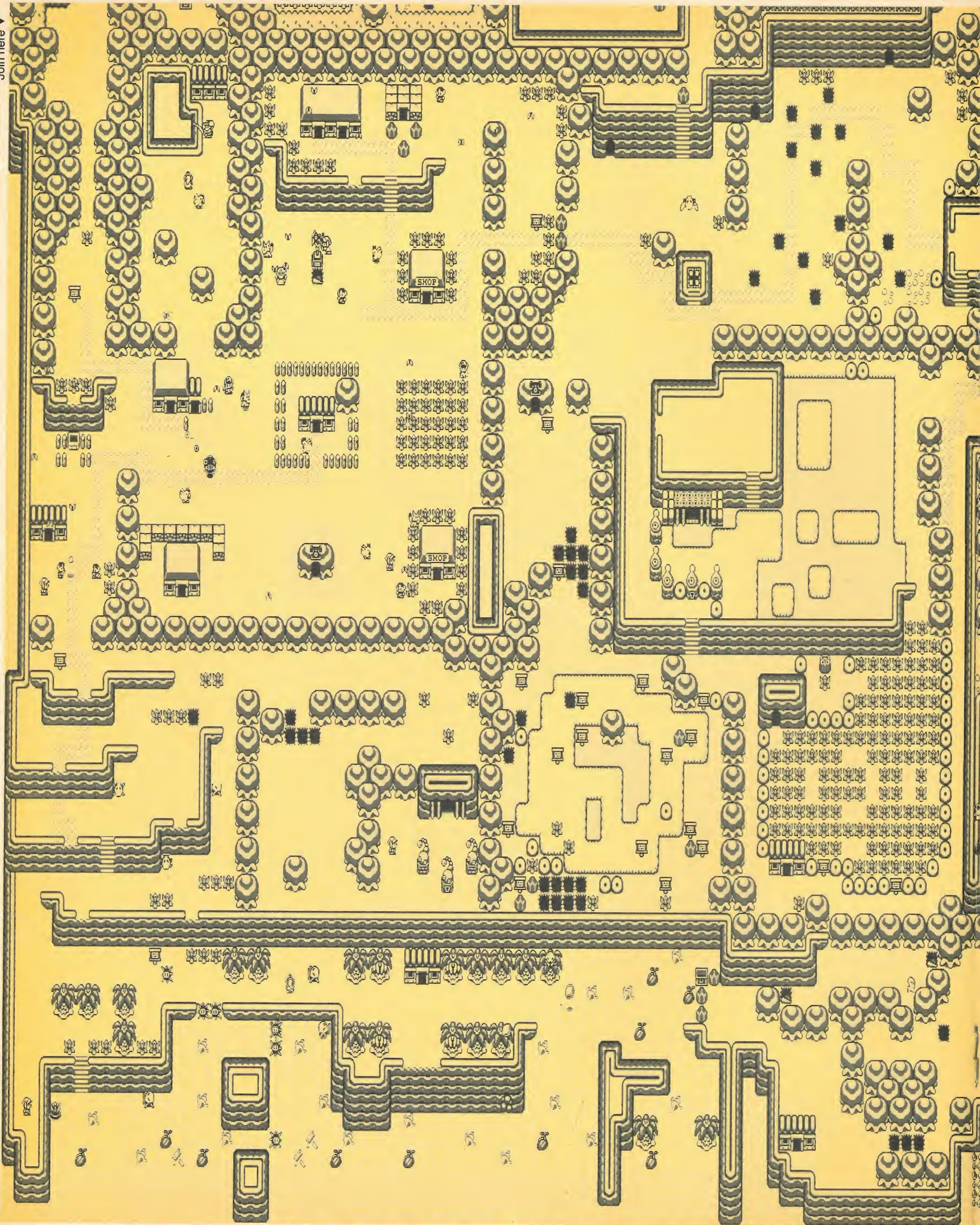
You'll need the shovel when you go back to Richard with the leaves. Take a short trip through the maze to the owl. A spot of digging will reveal the Slime Key. You can now enter the Key Cavern.

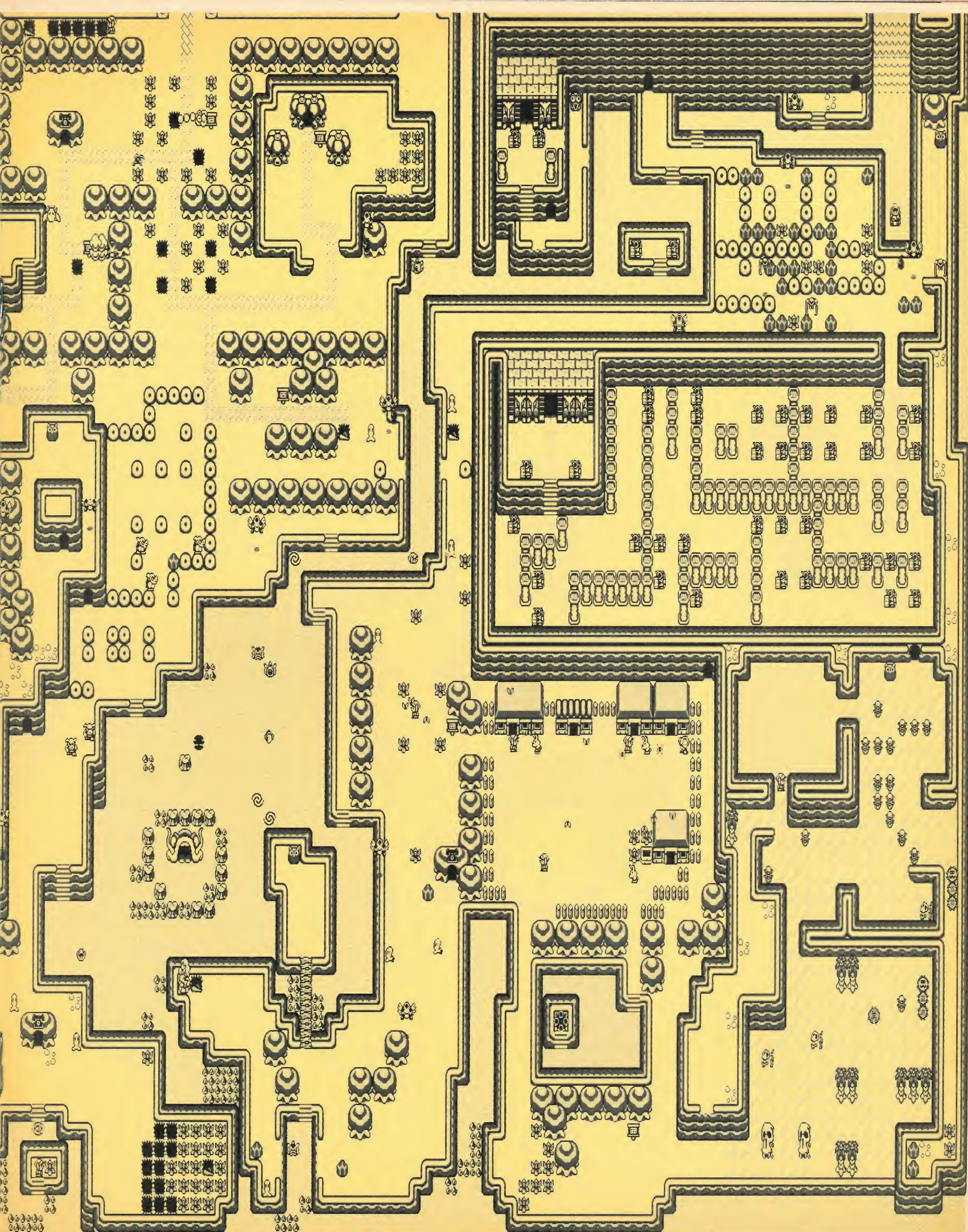
The music of the Ocarina will be yours

Use the Pegasus Boots from level three in the Dream Shrine to reveal the Ocarina. That little darling Marin will teach you the 'Ballad of the Wind Fish.

Another song can be learnt after the fourth dungeon when, with the help of the flippers, you can go to a cave left of the entrance to the Angler's Tunnel and learn another useful tune.







Level one featured in last month's review as well as bits of level two. So here's dungeons three and four from the dreamy Koholint Island.

THE L

8. Key

9.

10.

11. Place bombs in front of worms. Three each will do the trick.

12. Push blocks to get to the chest. And lo! The Pegasus Boots.

13. Bomb point of arrow.

14. Use pegasus dash.

15.

16. Bomb opposite wall.

17. Key.

Back to 10.

18. Key.

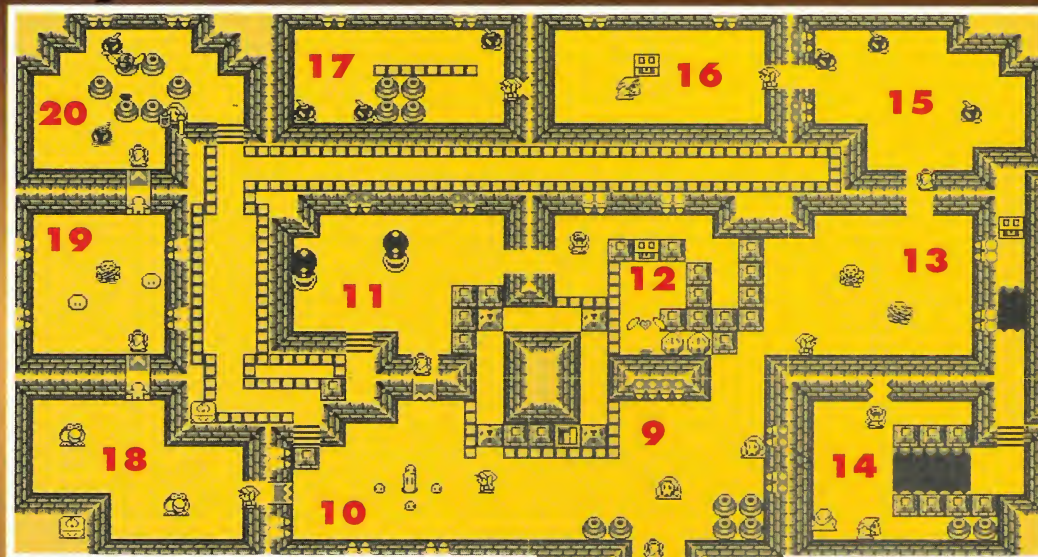
19. Chest appears other side of wall.

20. Back to 19 for map.

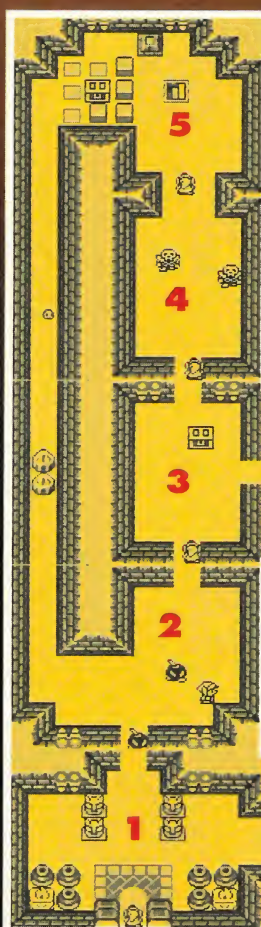
To 11. Use vortex to 1.

Refer to each lettered box (A to M). The coloured numbers match up with a room on a map. Follow the instructions for each room, and proceed through the dungeon in the order shown.

Key Cavern



Go to 10 and through the four locks. Take stairs to 23.



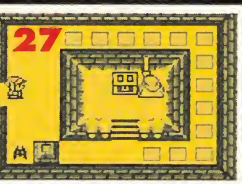
6. Go right
7. Take stairs

B.



6. Hit orb. Key.
7. Take stairs.

E.



1. Throw pot at door.
2. Key
3. Blob in chest
4.
5. Take stairs to 6.

A.



21. Use pegasus dash for Key.
4. Go up the left passage. Kill blob. Back around to 4 and skeletons for the fragment.
5. Stairs to 6.

D.



23. Pegasus dash the penguins.
24. Key
25. Nightmare Guardian. Pegasus dash the wall then use repeated pegasus dashes to split the eye in two. Keep moving or the blobs will jump on you.
26. The Instrument.

G.

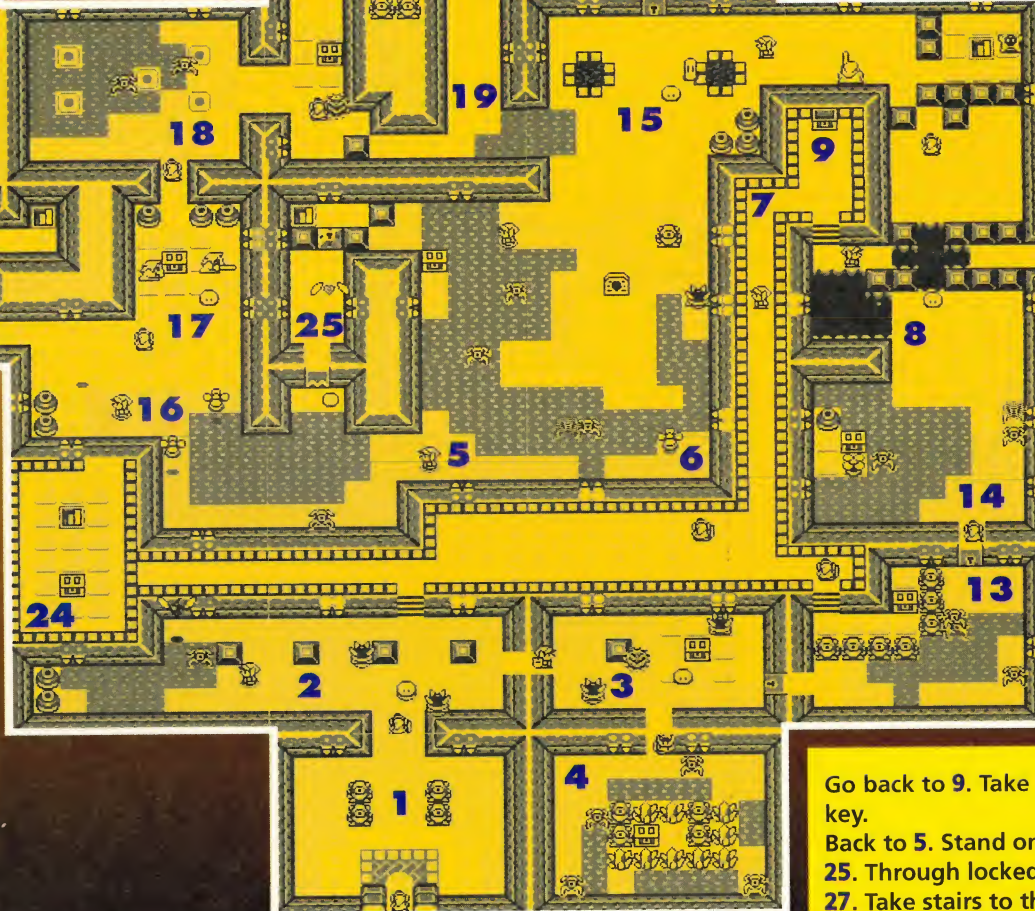
LEGEND OF ZELDA

Angler's Tunnel

1. Then to 2.
3. Compass
4. Key.



- Back to 2.
5. Then to 6.
7. Then to 8.
9. Map
8. Pegasus jump across chasm.
10. Bomb cracked block. Push block for Key.



- 16.
17. Chest hides a blob.
- 18.
19. Key.
- Back to 15.
20. Kill Guardian using whirling blade technique.
21. Pull lever and then run quickly before blocks close together.
22. The Flippers.



Now, for peace of mind and a rupee or two you can mop up the other rooms at leisure. There are 50 rupees in the chest at 5 and 200 at 27. Rooms 28 and 29 are not very important and can be left, unless curiosity gets the better of you.



- 11.
12. Bomb cracked block for Key. Back to 3.
13. Then to 14.
8. Pegasus jump north across chasm.
9. Unlock block and push moveable block.
15. Kill blobs and key falls down pit and will be retrieved later.
- 7.
6. Then to 5.



23. Stand on the tiles in the order which they glint (make a note of this order). Go back to 18.
18. Stand on these tiles in the same order as you found from 23.
- Take the stairs to 24.
24. Get Nightmare Key.

- Go back to 9. Take the stairs down for the key.
- Back to 5. Stand on the button.
25. Through locked block to stairs to 26.
27. Take stairs to the Nightmare. Just keep hitting it.
28. Take the third Instrument.
- There are 50 rupees to be picked up along the way at 25.



I. The Angler's Key

This key is guarded by a monster lying hidden in the Yarna Desert.

To get there you've to give your stick (the one left by the monkey) to Tarin who is stood a couple of screens to the east of Mabe Village.

You'll then get the honeycomb for the goat in the Animal Village. Now go back to Mabe Village and a little chap will tell you where to find Marin. Go listen to her heart-rending (!) story down on the beach and she'll accompany you to sing to the walrus and let you get into the desert.

Kill the guardian and you'll get the Angler key then fall through the middle (assuming that you managed to avoid doing this during the battle).

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Zelda: Link's Awakening appeared as simply the best game on the Game Boy so far. Great graphics, tunes and gameplay combine in the ultimate quest. Zelda will keep anyone engrossed for many a happy hour. One of the few games to offer genuine value for the £25 price tag. Get it!

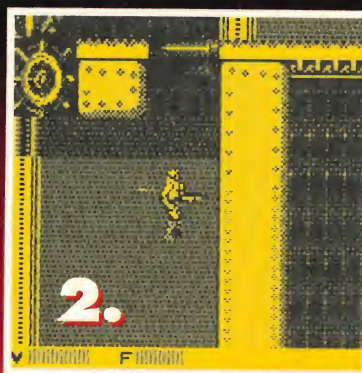
96%

A. Continued Cloud City capers

Finding Princess Leia is one of the easier levels. Watch for the numerous Bounty Hunters dotted around all over the place. Make good use of your force powers to get out of such dangerous situations.



From the start of this level go right. Watch for the large cannon firing at you. Either be prepared to take a little damage and shoot the trooper from the front or do a big jump over and shoot from behind.

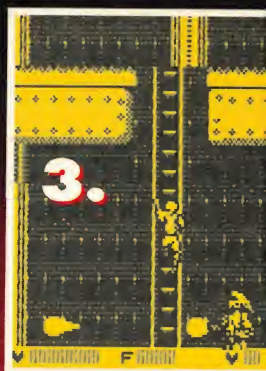


Once you can go no further you'll have to levitate up to the next platform.

Some levitation may be needed if you can't destroy the bounty hunter while waiting for the lift.

Otherwise simply jump on the lift. The platform to the left of the lift contains a joint refresher of energy and force.

Continue going to the right until you reach the bounty hunter. Do a big jump over him and if you do need extra energy climb the ladder into the room above.



THE EMPIRE

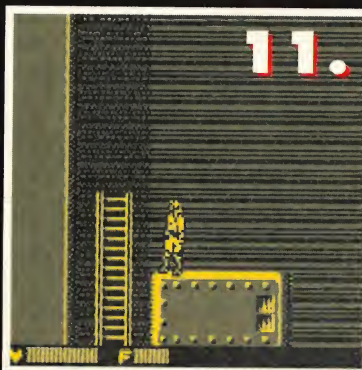
Luke tackles the Empire single handed in the final conflict to rescue Leia and co. The Empire has other ideas...

B. Darth Vader battle

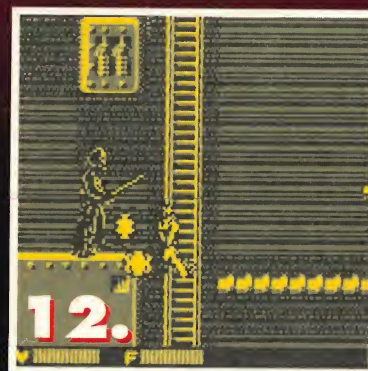
Not an easy level at all. As if fighting Vader isn't enough there are plenty of other ways to die. For instance check the little geezers here. They're meaner than Ebenezer Scrooge on an economy drive. Not to worry though they can easily be killed. Make sure you do a jump big enough to land on the crane to the right. Then do a big jump right to reach solid ground again.



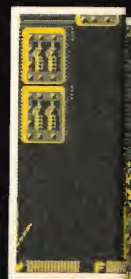
Go left and then levitate over the next Darth. Stand here and Vader always turns away before he reaches you giving you the opportunity, and time, to slice away.



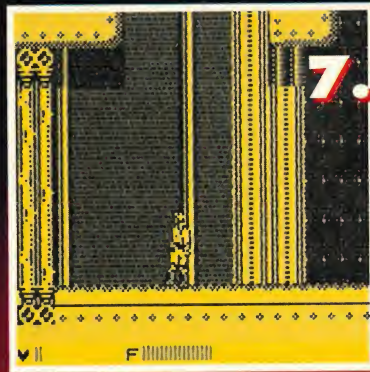
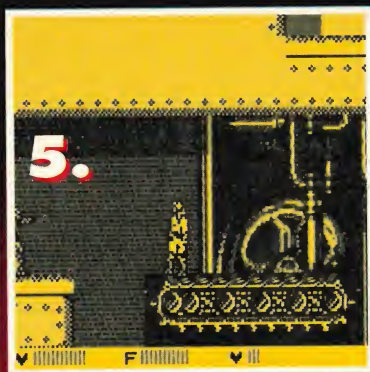
Go to the right and off the end. Land at the top of this ladder. At the foot of this there is a force power up. Fall off this platform until you reach the bottom. Continue to the right until you reach the next platform. Walk off and land on the lift. At its peak step off to the left onto the ladder.



At this point on the ladder one of the many Vaders will appear. Stand here on the ladder and start choppin'. Eventually he'll be defeated and leave you a joint force and energy power up.



Once at the top go right again. Then levitate to the next platform. Either stand to the left and blast the bounty hunter or levitate over his head to the right. Fall down the gap to the left of the final conveyor belt.



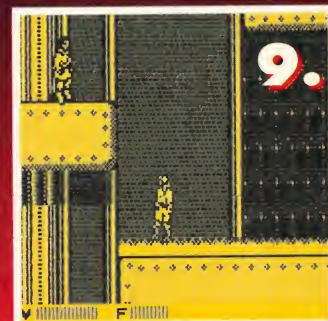
When you reach this point levitate to the platform above and go left again to avoid another electric force field. There's no R2-D2 to help this time. Continue going left, collect the energy power up and repeat the process mentioned previously to avoid the next electric force field.



Go left again and fall down as far as you can from the ledge. Next go right again across the conveyor belts and fall off at the end. There are two bounty hunters below and it's a good idea to levitate over their heads and then climb the ladder to the left and collect a force power icon. Jump to the left off the edge of the platform.



After this you have the choice of either taking the incredibly strong bounty hunter on or levitating above him to the safety of the high platform to the left. From this ledge do a big jump to the left and you should land here.



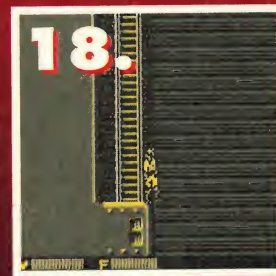
Go left and presto, Princess Leia is there awaiting rescue. She does have some bad news however...

STRIKES BACK



Make sure you do a big jump to the platforms to the left. If need be you can levitate left until you reach this crane to take you up towards the roof! Go right at the top of this to find the next crane to hop aboard. Hop off again at the top. There will be some extra force power here and it's best to collect it while you can.

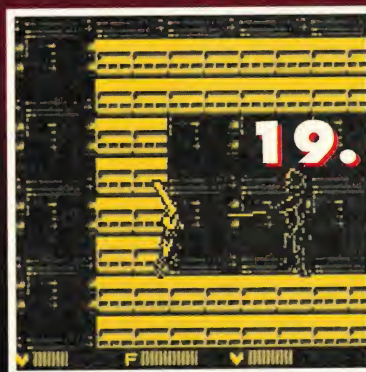
Levitate over the two troopers and straight up until you reach the top. Here you should go right and fall down to the level below. You'll find a force power up to the left. The next Darth is to the right and below. Stand here and destroy him. The final Vader is off to the right.



To replenish your force and energy power go left and do a big jump from here to the right.



At the top here you will have to go right by swinging across. If you miss the rope be prepared to use your levitate force immediately or you will meet a sticky end. After the two ropes you should fall down to the right from the edge. At the bottom of the ladder take a step away from the ladder and levitate to the right. One mistake will end in instant death. Prepare to meet the next Darth!



This fella sure ain't friendly! He'll throw large pieces of metal at you and attack non-stop. Fall down the gap and you'll have to levitate back up to the platform or else your day is over. The safest place to stand is directly to the left in the corner. DV will turn just before he reaches you. End of story! You are victorious!



Go back to where the last Vader was and levitate up to the highest platform on the left. Prepare yourself to meet the next Darth who's just below to the left.

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From ice to swamp to deep space, **The Empire Strikes Back** covers plenty of mileage. More trips back and forth and tougher levels make this follow up a must for all fans of the original **Star Wars** game. Alternatively, if there are any gamers who want a fresh & lasting challenge, it's here!

93%

Direct Replay

Mortal Kombat

081F95D6 Unlimited energy for player 1.

081F96D6 Unlimited energy for the computer.

Revenge of the Gator

0103B0C0 Infinite balls, if you know what I mean.

Nintendo World Cup

Timothy Cope of Heavily, Cheshire has furnished us with this odd little code 075A2CDF + 07592DDF + 075163DF + 07068CDF Punch this in for some strange music, apparently.

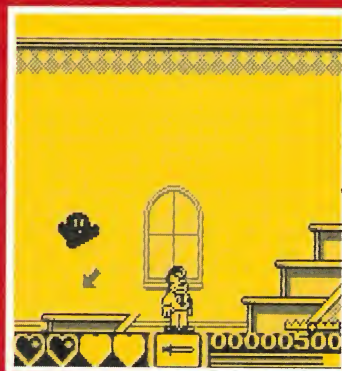
Addams Family

From James Hobman of

Whitwell, Herts comes this infinite lives code: 020565C0

Mega Man III

You can have infinite lives courtesy of John Miller of Lechlade. 020308DD From the same source we have a code to enable you to always finish first in Jeep Jamboree: 0401CBC1



GAME GENIE

Star Trek: 25th Anniversary

Boldly going where no tipster has gone before is Adrian French of Edgeware.

006 E8B 19E Infinite ships

007 02B 19E Infinite torpedoes to play with

990 9BC 80B Start with full shield power

990 A0C 80B Start with full speed power

990 A5C 80B Start with full phaser weapons



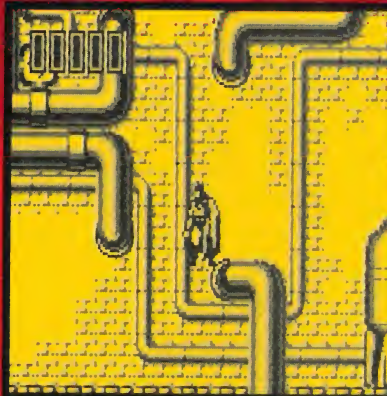
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N0S 540 HHD Will again give you 98% in fighting abilities but only two trophies so that you can try the championship match for yourself.

A pat on the back to Alex Fairweather of Hindley, Wigan for ten hours continuous play to bring us these codes. Is that really good for you?

Batman: Return Of The Joker



If you're still stuck on this tricky little jaunt of the Dark Knight, try these codes courtesy of Michael Cocke of Donnybrook, Co. Cork

0A2 07F F7E 9

continues

009 96E 19E

Infinite Batarangs on pick up.

Speedy Gonzales

FAC A9B 4C1 Infinite lives

FA9 40B 4C1 Infinite time

09D 87B E66 Continue game with 10 lives.

05E F6C C4E Start with a mere half of the normal amount of time.

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0XB FOA E6E Change X to 2, 3, or 4 for shorter laps on these races.



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BLUES BROTHERS JUKEBOX ADVENTURE

The Blues Brothers are making a return to the Game Boy after their instrument seeking exploits in the first adventure secured a very healthy 91% from the GB crew. That was way back in issue four. Will the sequel have the same impact?

So, what would you expect from a Blues Brothers game? Music – that's

FROM: Titus OUT: Early 1994

here with abundance, with discs to collect which can then be used as deadly frisbees to despatch enemies. Comedy – there're a number of witty little features, the bulging biceps created by one of the power ups being just one. Exhilarating adventure – the speed is intense

with Jake and Elwood hurtling around like lightning.

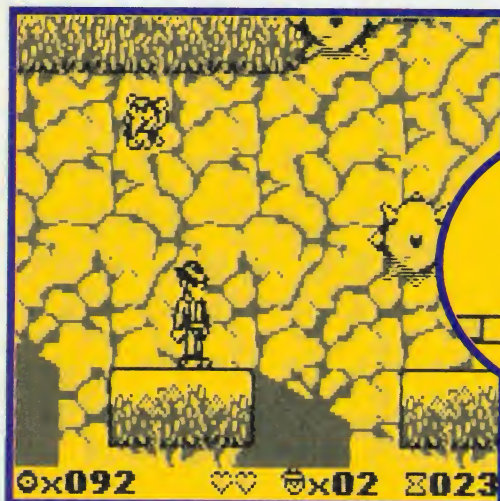
So what comedic situation have the musical duo got themselves into this time? Actually they've been trapped by an evil jukebox, honest!

In order to get to their first concert they have to survive the countryside, electrical chaos, spooky sewers and deadly enemies. All this to get to perform at the greatest gig in history.

You chose to play either Jake or Elwood who despite their quite different physiques move with the same freedom and speed. There's also a link-up option for the two to be played simultaneously.

There're plenty of adventurous and challenging levels for the boys to swing through and still retain their supreme cool. Some neat tunes adding to the atmosphere will help them to get to the concert on time.

In the Blues Brothers, dark glasses are obligatory. The boys are on a mission from God. **ROB SMITH**



Left: Elwood must leap the gaping chasm and avoid being splattered by the spinning mace thingy.



Above: One of the best power-ups we've seen for ages: an instant muscle building bonus.



"It's 106 miles to Chicago, we've got a full tank of gas, half a pack of cigarettes, it's dark, and we're wearing sunglasses."

The Blues Brothers first appeared in the late 1970's on the American late night satire show, 'Saturday Night Live.' Two of its regular performers, John Belushi and Dan Aykroyd, assumed the identities of Jake and Elwood Blues, ultra cool R&B legends.

They dressed in dark suits, skinny ties and pork pie hats, and they always but always wore their sunglasses while they delivered utterly straight versions of classic soul songs.

Whereas Jack and Elwood were fictional, The Blues Brothers Band was made up of genuine 60s soul musicians like guitarist Steve Cropper.

The Blues Brothers were something of a hit, and both album deals and real concert tours followed. Talk inevitably drifted around to a movie deal and Universal Pictures decided to back a film that would contain bizarre comedy, the ultimate in car chases, and a host of musi-



cal performances from the likes of Ray Charles, James Brown and Aretha Franklin.

Co-written by Aykroyd and the film's director, John Landis, the \$27 million film went into production in 1979 at the same time as two other expensive movies that initially flopped: Steven Spielberg's 1941 and Michael Cimino's Heaven's Gate.

The Blues Brothers was unfairly placed alongside these films – it actually came in under budget unlike the other two – in articles criticising Hollywood's profligacy as a result of its initial poor performance at the box office.

Unlike those other films, The Blues Brothers has become a popular cult item over the years. Not just as a result of the messy and wasteful death of John Belushi from a heroin and cocaine overdose either. People have woken up to the fact that a film which was hounded to death by the critics in 1980, is actually very funny. It's also immensely enjoyable and has one of the best movie soundtracks ever.

These days, people everywhere watch the film and recite the entire script word for word. Loads attend Blues Brothers-themed R&B nights, often headlined by one of the several tribute bands floating around. **ROB SHARP**

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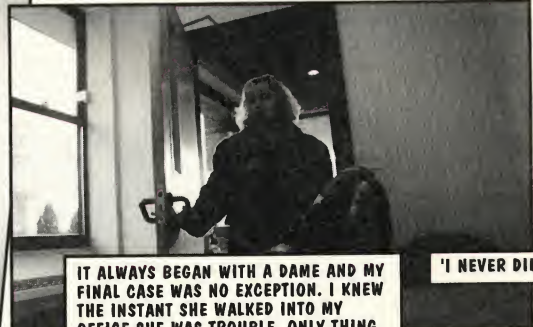
INTRODUCING, IN GLORIOUS MONOCHROME, THE STORY OF A QUACK WHO'S GONE TO THE DOGS...

Ever wondered what goes on in an average day at GB Action Institute For The Criminally Insane? We sometimes do, too. Take a look if you dare!

ED ...PART ONE HARD BOILED HARD BOILED-HARD BOILED-HARD BOILED-HARD BOILED-



THE NAME'S LEE, ALEX LEE. I USED TO BE WHAT I LIKE TO CALL A PRIVATE EYE, BUT OTHER PEOPLE THINK DIFFERENT.



IT ALWAYS BEGAN WITH A DAME AND MY FINAL CASE WAS NO EXCEPTION. I KNEW THE INSTANT SHE WALKED INTO MY OFFICE SHE WAS TROUBLE, ONLY THING WAS I DIDN'T KNOW HOW MUCH.

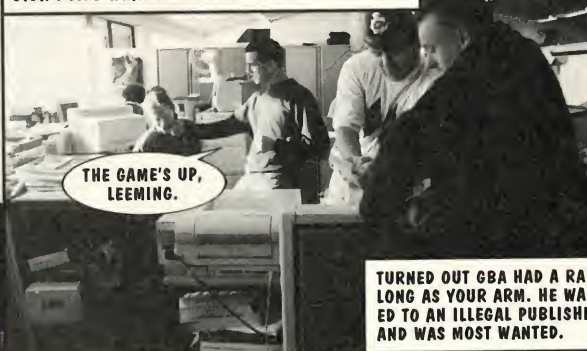
'I NEVER DID.'



I WANT TO KNOW ALL ABOUT A GUY CALLED GBA, WHAT HE GETS UP TO AT NIGHTS.

WITH THOSE INITIALS IT SOUNDED LIKE HE WAS INVOLVED IN SOMETHING SEEDY. SHE WAS ONLY TOO RIGHT.

IT WAS TIME TO HIT THE STREETS. I CALLED IN SOME OLD CONTACTS ON THE FORCE, HAD THEM RUN THOSE INITIALS THROUGH THEIR DATABASE AND DIDN'T LIKE WHAT THEY CAME UP WITH.



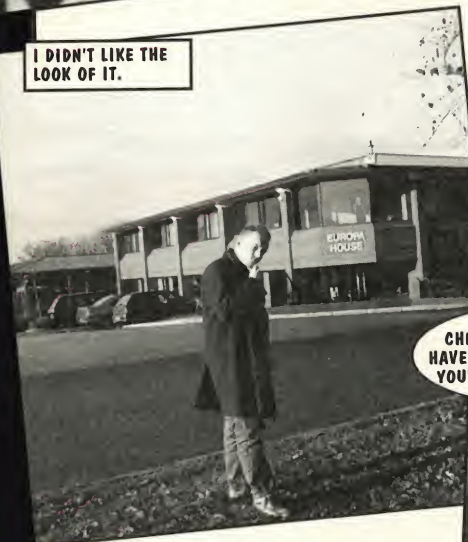
THE GAME'S UP, LEEMING.

TURNED OUT GBA HAD A RAP SHEET AS LONG AS YOUR ARM. HE WAS CONNECTED TO AN ILLEGAL PUBLISHING RACKET AND WAS MOST WANTED.



PPSSST, WANNA KNOW WHAT'S COOKIN'? YOU WON'T LET ME FORGET ABOUT THE FLUFFY RABBIT AND THE EGG WHISK, WILL YOU?

AN OLD INFORMER WHO OWED ME TIPPED ME OFF TO A RED BRICK BUILDING ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY.



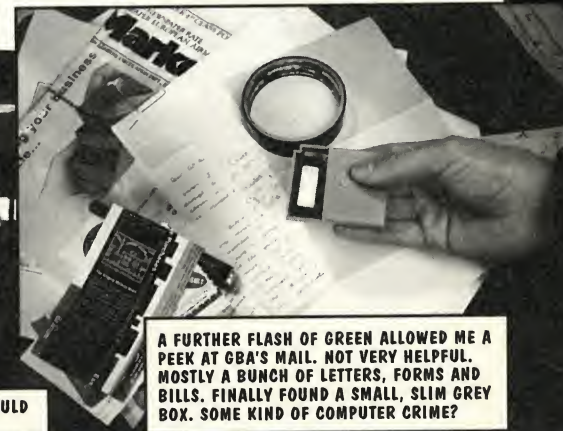
I DIDN'T LIKE THE LOOK OF IT.

I ARRIVED AND TRIED TO MAKE THE POSTMAN TALK. HE CLAIMED NOT TO KNOW ANYTHING AT FIRST, BUT SOON PERKED UP WHEN I HIT HIM WITH A TEN SPOT AND THOSE INITIALS.



CHEERS! YES, GBA DOES HAVE A MAIL DROP HERE. IF YOU'VE GOT MORE CASH...

GBA WAS CLOSE, I COULD SMELL HIM.



A FURTHER FLASH OF GREEN ALLOWED ME A PEEK AT GBA'S MAIL. NOT VERY HELPFUL. MOSTLY A BUNCH OF LETTERS, FORMS AND BILLS. FINALLY FOUND A SMALL, SLIM GREY BOX. SOME KIND OF COMPUTER CRIME?

END OF PART ONE...

HMM, IT ONLY GOT 61% IN TOTAL.

I DECIDED TO POSE AS A POTENTIAL BUYER AND SWEET TALKED MY WAY PAST THE DAME ON RECEPTION.

NO, I DON'T WANT TO TAKE A SEAT, I AM AN OLD FRIEND OF GBA.

WOULD YOU LIKE A COFFEE?

FORTUNATELY I COULD TURN TO A COUPLE OF EXPERTS IN THE SAME BUILDING WHO CLAIMED TO WORK FOR GBA. THEY PLUGGED IN WHAT THEY CALLED THE SOFTWARE AND THE INFORMATION WAS HIGHLY REVEALING. IT LOOKED LIKE A KIND OF GAME BUT I'D BEEN FOOLED BY THIS STUFF BEFORE.

IT WAS ANYTHING BUT A GAME.

SOMEONE INTERRUPTED US.

WHAT ON KRYPTON IS IT?

NO INDEEDY.

HAVEN'T YOU HEARD?

THIS GUY CHECKED WHAT EVERYBODY DID. HE WAS THE OVERSEER, AND IT DIDN'T PAY TO CROSS HIM. THEY SAID HE COULD SNAP AT ANY MOMENT AND I BELIEVED THEM.

YOU HAVEN'T DONE YOUR CAPTIONS!!!

I WENT TO THE ART GUYS, THEY WERE SENDING PAGES TO THE PRINTERS

WHAT ABOUT FOUCAULT'S PENDULUM? GLEICK ALLOWS THIS IN 4-D PHASE SPACE.

I TRULY FEEL THE ABSENCE OF THOSE LINES IN A POST-MODERN MODE.

'I DIDN'T LIKE IT, IT WAS TOO EASY

I CHECKED OUT THE PRINTING GUY UPSTAIRS. HE CLAIMED NOT TO KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT GBA.

I JUST PROCESS THE FILM, WHAT'S ON IT IS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME.

THEY ALWAYS SAY THAT.

THIS DAME SHOWED ME HOW SHE PRODUCED THE MAG ON A PHOTOCOPIER.

DOESN'T THIS TAKE RATHER A LONG TIME?

SHE LOOKED FAMILIAR. SOMEONE INTERRUPTED US. IT WAS MY COP FRIEND.

THE ART GUYS AND THE FILM PROCESSOR ARE DEAD. SOMEONE WRAPPED THEM IN FILM AND DUMPED THEM IN THE DUSTBINS.

THEN HE DROPPED THE BOMBHELL.

IT WASN'T PRETTY.

YOU'RE NICKED, ME OLD BEAUTY. YOU'RE GBA! YOUR MEMORY WAS WIPED BY A STRANGE TRAUMA DURING THE WAR. YOU KILLED THESE PEOPLE BUT SOMEONE PROGRAMMED YOU NOT TO REMEMBER ANYTHING ABOUT IT. BUT I DON'T YET KNOW WHO DID THAT TO YOU.

HARD BOILED





THE END

Cameras: NIKON
Film: KODAK
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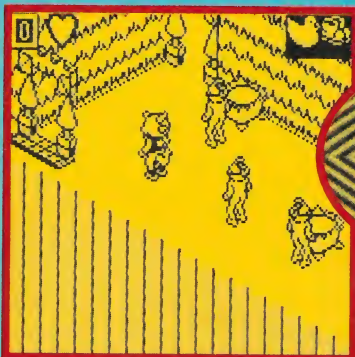
Alex Lee – A cheese and ham French bread sandwich with a cup of Bovril
Marc Keating – Two bacon sandwiches and a can of coke
Neil Jones – A Bros video
Ian Lynch – A copy of Sensible Soccer
Rob Smith – A ticket to Bramhall Lane
Jay Sharples – Seven loaded skins
Johnny Lea – Twelve pints of lager and a bottle of Cod Liver oil
Lisa Cragg – A magazine about decorating

Cast of characters, from left to right:
Alex 'Sherlock' Lee, Marc 'Dali' Keating, Neil 'Jobsworth' Jones, Ian 'Bit part actor' Lynch, Rob 'Owl' Smith, Jay 'Informer' Sharples, Johnny 'Dock Green' Lea and Lisa 'Bet Lynch' Cragg.
A message to Hollywood film directors, 'Don't call us – you'd live to regret it'.

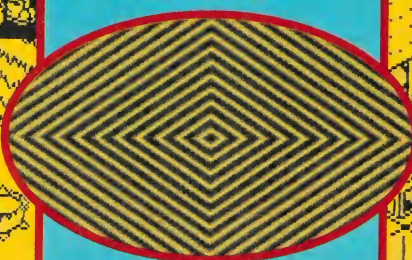
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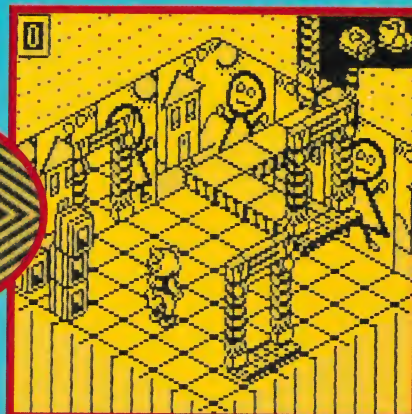
Do the...



Right: It's a strange place but some quick thinking and skill will keep Max going.



Above: Wooo! It's too much. Left: Ugly creature alert. Avoid them at all costs!



The lift boy requires a pass before you have free usage of the elevator.

MONSTER MAX

Remember games like Head Over Heals on the Amiga anyone? No? Well, read on. This is the first game with a 3D isometric view of the playing area to hit the 'Boy. Titus will be releasing Monster Max in the New Year and what a corker it's looking too.

The central character, Max, knows what life's all about. Fame and fortune. He's gonna live forever. Being in a rock band was always his ambition and it looked like his years of practise were about to pay off with his first mega gig. A sold out show in the land's largest venue is about to ensue. Unfortunately, as you probably suspected, nothing ever goes quite to plan in the world of Game boy games does it?

FROM: Titus OUT: Early 1994

On the eve of Max's gig his world is taken over. Which world this is we will probably never know. The end result of this takeover is that rock music is banned. Where would we be without the likes of Def Leppard and their ilk eh? Ahem, excuse the sarcasm please!

In an attempt to overthrow the new rulers, Max then joins the underground movement. His first mission is, well you probably will have guessed by now, put them well and truly in their place.

Each mission results in credit for the fledgling star. This allows him to pay the lift-boy to buy himself a pass. With nine levels to complete

and his final return to the real world to destroy the the evil dictator this looks like being an absolutely huge game.

On top of all this Max can pick up numerous items to help him out such as boots to jump higher and a speed up icon. There are more options than in a vast number of recent carts.

It makes a pleasant change from the platform cop-outs which have been very prominent of late. Monster Max should make an ideal game with superb graphics and complicated, but pleasantly simple to suss, controls.

Luckily, Maxie has a password option as well as options for changing the pad sensitivity, obtaining information mid-mission and information on what every item collected will do.

When Monster Max finally arrives don't miss the full in



Just a quick reminder in exactly what the special jumping boots do. In case you'd forgotten.

depth review here in GB Action. Titus seem to have latched onto a winner here. It's a complete contrast to Lamborghini, their last outing, and a refreshing new viewpoint for the 'Boy.

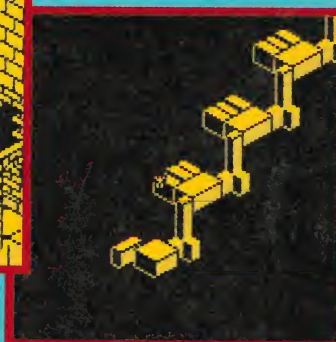
ANDY SHARP



Left: The block in the centre can be pushed to anywhere.



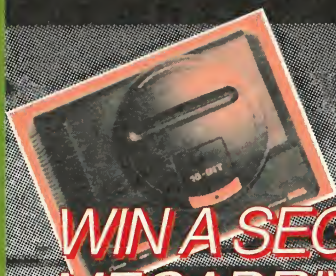
Above: Skeletons are just one of the many obstacles for Max to overcome before he reaches his gig.



Left: A map option shows exactly where you are.

Above: Electrical items cause death.

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COMPETITION

One of the most valuable sets of prizes ever seen in GB Action is comin' at ya, courtesy of Ubisoft. Among the best platform games yet, Indiana Jones And The Last Crusade is up for grabs. Reviewed by Andy in this very issue, it scores a whopping 84%.

Not only can you win one of 10 copies of the game, there are also five CIC trilogy sets of the Indiana Jones

movies on vid. This includes Raiders Of The Lost Ark, Indiana Jones And The Temple Of Doom and Indiana Jones And The Last Crusade, it's a beauty!

So, five winners will receive a vid set and five copies of the cart and five runners up will receive a copy of the cart each. You'd be idiots not to enter. Sean Connery and Harrison Ford would be most upset if you blew them out, not to mention the Nazis. Where's your sense of adventure?

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- 1) Complete the name, Harrison:
a) Audi c) Ferrari
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- 2) What nationality is Sean Connery?
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b) English d) American
- 3) Indiana Jones's day job is:
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Believe in yourself

Eat a pineapple

Write the alphabet backwards

Order an empty skip and leave it outside your house for a week
Meet an old friend you haven't seen for years

Make a record

Dance the dance electric

Plant a tree

Phone someone you love

Learn a second language

Every day at the same time stop and think about something wonderful
Go and see Ryan Giggs

Get your nipple pierced

Read a page from a book by Charles Dickens
Have a day without TV

Play football in the street

Give £100 to a down and out

Put your change into a bottle for a year and give it to charity
Make a statement

Visit Great Ormond Street Hospital
Begin something you've always wanted to begin

Go to the market and spend 10p
Learn something new every day

Throw away your watch

Laugh

Take a picture of your back

Take a friend to the zoo

Go for a day without speaking

Write to Mother Teresa
Turn your radio up full blast

Say a prayer every night

Teach a child to read

Buy a book on Jeff Koons

Stare at the clouds for a full ten minutes

Buy Marvin Gaye's 'What's going on'

Tell someone a secret

Talk to a child about the future

Think purple

Wallpaper the inside of your car

Go on holiday and don't take any luggage

TUNE TO 100FM,
CLOSE YOUR EYES,
STICK A PIN IN THIS
PAGE AND DO IT.

Give up your seat on the tube every day

Take a bath in milk

Climb a tree

Watch 'It's a wonderful life'

Get on a bus you never got on before

Drink a glass of water

Clean your ears

Dream for the day

Visit New York

Listen to Jazzie B's next show

Get up an hour earlier tomorrow

Do 100 press-ups

Eat something you've never tried before

Ride a Merry-go-round

Say hello to a policeman

Spend an hour in a place of worship

Send someone a telegram

Put your sofa in the kitchen

Go to a museum

Get on a bus you've never been on before

Dance in the front garden

Shave your head

Feed the birds

Visit an art gallery

Write a poem

Feed someone else's meter

Carry a flower all day

Paint your toe-nails

Take your granny to the movies

Stop saying no for a whole week

Put on a dress

Write to your MP

Make a wish

Go home a different way every night for a week

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Sing a song at the top of your voice

Help a stranger with their shopping

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Get your hair cut

Dance in the rain

Fast for a day

Buy a hat

Use a fountain pen

Walk home today

Feed the dog

Invite your neighbour to tea

Give your favourite possession away

Memorise a Woody Allen joke

Tell the truth for a day

Scream

Put the kettle on

Take up knitting

Listen to Rodigan's next show, in the park

Spend an afternoon speculating on how to make a million

Forgive someone

Do one thing to make the world a better place to live

Say yes for a day

Put your name on a star

Stop someone getting AIDS

Learn to fly

Do a cartwheel

Tell someone your dreams

Walk on the grass

Make a million pounds

Talk about God with a friend

Wink at someone ugly

Buy the next record you hear on Kiss

Buy your boss a present

Tell someone you appreciate what they do

Buy a friend your favourite book

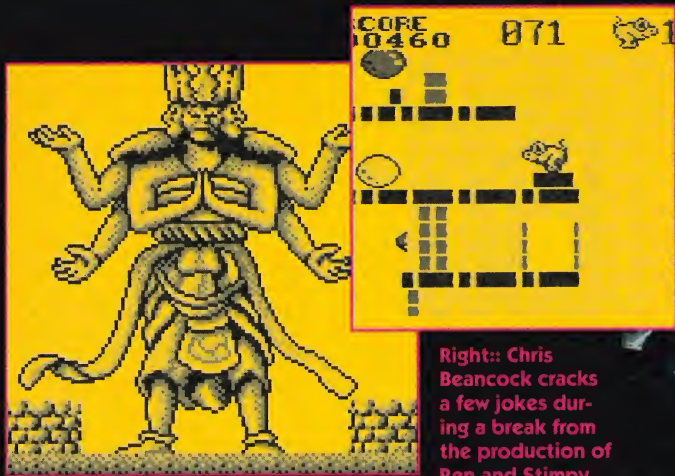
Tune into Caesar tomorrow morning at 4am

Photocopy this ad and get someone else to do it

Only boil as much water as you need

Learn a new word every day

Kiss
100fm



Right: Chris Beacock cracks a few jokes during a break from the production of Ren and Stimpy.



WELCOME TO...

From the silver screen to the Game Boy screen, top design team BITS has become a specialist in movie licence games. Jason Spiller reports.

Wide boulevards, palm trees, palatial abodes for the rich, the famous and the beautiful, all paid for by movies. Ah, Hollywood, Hollywood... Cricklewood? The only connection between the movie mecca and dreary North London suburb occurred in one of those desperate Two Ronnies songs which always rounded off the show. Yet, by coincidence, there's another connection between woods of the 'Crickle' and 'Holly' ilk.

Top game design team BITS, based in Cricklewood (ahem), have sealed deals for the

hottest movie licences with amazing regularity. Terminator 2 Judgement Day, Robin Hood Prince of Thieves and Alien 3, plus the forthcoming movies Frankenstein, starring Robert DeNiro and Kenneth Branagh as well as Penal Colony starring, er, somebody-or-other are all in their credits.

Game Boy versions of these hot movie licences are currently being debated.

"I've lost count of the number of people who told me the only good games for the Game Boy are Tetris-style puzzles."

So says BITS chief Foo Katan: "We set out, determined to prove that we could produce a good game with exciting graphics."

It was this commitment which won BITS some of the most lucrative licences from movies and coin-op to comics.

With its thumping fist-sized sprites, arcade blast R-Type was a real challenge for the team. "R-Type was a daunting proposition because of the sheer size of the graphics in the coin-op.

"But it turned out to be a relatively simple exercise in scaling down the whole show which really gave us a lot of confidence. So we turned our attention to the sprites and backgrounds to recreate the arcade experience on the little screen."

Terminator 2 was the first movie licence and a major coup for BITS. As Foo recalls:

"I visited the sets while they were filming, just to get a feel for the game... what an excuse! We were working from the actual script and the chase scene was described in about three or four sentences, so we dismissed it completely.

"It wasn't until we saw a near complete version of the film that we realised its importance in the movie... we had to make some major changes, under incredible pressure, because we had to complete the project in time for the movie release to fulfil the contract."

Robin Hood Prince of Thieves was the next movie licence for BITS. But it posed some unexpected problems. Foo explains:

"Again we were working on the game while the movie was still in production. We had scripts and storyboards to work from. But the story was such a mix of drama and action that we decided to make the game an interactive role-playing adventure."

The team embarked on the most complex project ever attempted on Game Boy. Foo continues: "We began re-telling the entire plot in the game



Above: 'we take turns wearing this aerial on our heads to pick up Air-Traffic signals and Taxi-Rank chit-chat' Far Left: Embarrassed programmers pose for photos.

employing an overhead perspective, integrated specific puzzles to solve confrontations and physical action to get around in order to advance the story. Those familiar with the film would have a great advantage."

Accuracy relied on painstaking research and mapping and reconstructing sites and buildings. "This was all a part of the learning curve for us, it's not until you're faced with problems in game design that you can find ways of solving them. It's important for us to push the Game Boy to the limits and beyond," he added.

Alien 3 was another thrilling movie licence. The team buzzed with enthusiasm on receiving storyboards and stills.

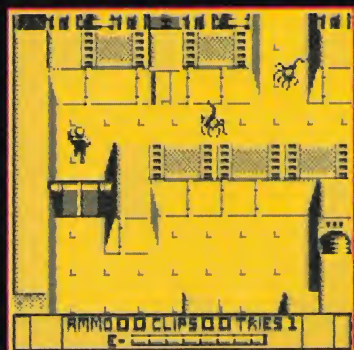
The nature of the movie posed more problems for the team. "We got the script first. But we had learnt from T2 that this can be misleading so we were cautious."

The team finally decided on a first-person perspective which proved to be a good choice. The game text is directly from the actual Alien 3 script!

"With just the script it's very easy to get carried away, all the enthusiasm can lead you up the wrong path which can be expensive and time-consuming," commented BITS's boss.

BITS latest project was pure self-indulgence for Foo. "Ninja Spirit is still my favourite coin-op game and I knew it would transfer well to Game Boy so I managed to convince Irem. There's some great animation and the action is still great after all these years!" Enough said.

For years movie games were a licence, literally, for unscrupulous publishers to make a killing with games that were invariably big disappointments. This created a stigma about movie licences that is still hanging around today. This, however, certainly doesn't apply to BITS-designed games. Their dedication and skill makes them a design team of fear-some reputation. One of the best in the country.



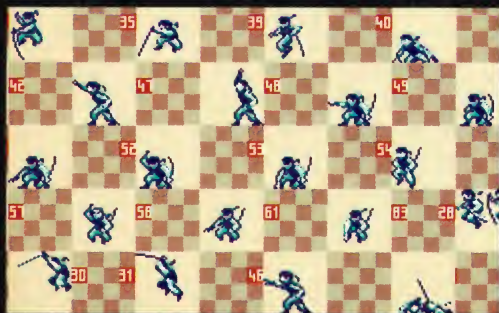
Below: Jackie Jomain painstakingly recreates storyboards for the games from movie scripts and visuals.



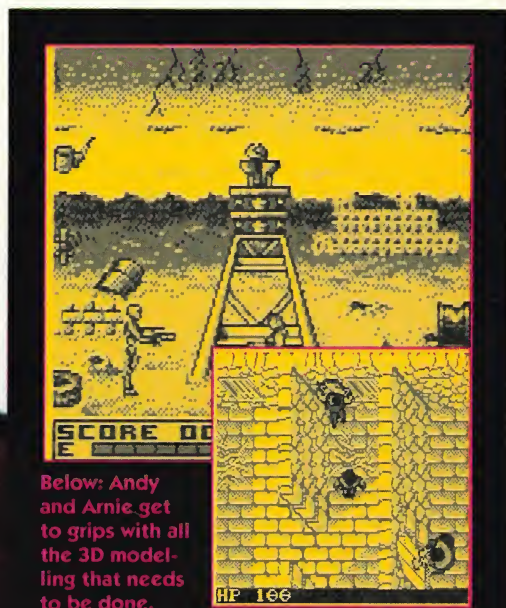
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Foo Katan, 27, heads one of the top design houses, BITS. With a team of 40 staff, BITS produce the hottest movie licences seen on the Game Boy.

NET CRICKLEWOOD



I didn't know what life was all about until I saw the sprites for Ninja Spirit.



Below: Andy and Arnie get to grips with all the 3D modelling that needs to be done.



COMPETITION

Ubisoft's F1 Pole Position scores a hefty 83% this issue. It's a quality racing cart and you could win one of ten copies. Yep, Ubisoft are offering ten F1 Pole Position Game Boy carts as well as ten top notch quality Formula One replica cars.

As is the norm, only three easy questions need to be answered correctly to have a chance of winning a fine cart or a marvellous car. The senders of the first ten correctly answered questions will win a cart. Ten runners up will win a model car.

Ayrton Senna, Alain Prost and Damon Hill never won a Grand Prix without taking any risks. So emulate them, send in your entries and risk the chance of losing the price of a stamp or winning a top prize.

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QUESTIONS

1) Which one of these doesn't rhyme with 'tenner'?

- a) Ayrton Senna c) Edward Jenner
b) Harry Fenner d) Lady Godiva

2) Which of these won the Formula One Drivers' Championship?

- a) Great Shark Hunt c) Miles Hunt
b) James Hunt d) Gareth Hunt

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Making Games

Dear Sirs,

Does anyone have any idea who to contact about getting my hands on a Game Boy software development kit?

I am currently in my fourth year studying for a BSc in computing and have quite an ability for programming. I have several good ideas for games to captivate a slightly older audience.

Any suggestions at all would be appreciated — I may even make a final year project out of it.

Ken McMullan, Portrush, Northern Ireland.

No probs, Ken. Some of the information you may require is on confidential non-disclosure from Nintendo. It all depends on what you're after. As you're obviously serious you can contact the really nice people at Spidersoft who may be able to furnish you with the info that's gonna get you that First. Good luck and let us know how you get on.

Friendly fighting

Dear GB Action,

Me and my mate have been reading your mag ever since it started. However, my

mate has had a tragic accident. It was one frosty Sunday morning when I knocked on my mate's door with a copy of GB Action tucked under my arm.

Half awake he opened the door.

"What's that you've got?" he yawned, leaning against the door arch.

"Oh, you mean this" I said, pulling it out and shoving it in his face.

"GB Action?" he gasped, "I must go and get a copy now!"

"Well" I told him, "this is the last copy."

He looked at me as if he suspected I was lying. Then he bent down to take something out of the cabinet by his feet.

He produced a baseball bat with several dents and a bent nail in the top.

"Give the mag you punk!" he snarled, raising it above his head.

"Sure" I replied, rolling the mag up, "here, have it!"

With power only a quality magazine can deliver, I clouted him round the head. The bat dropped from his hands and landed

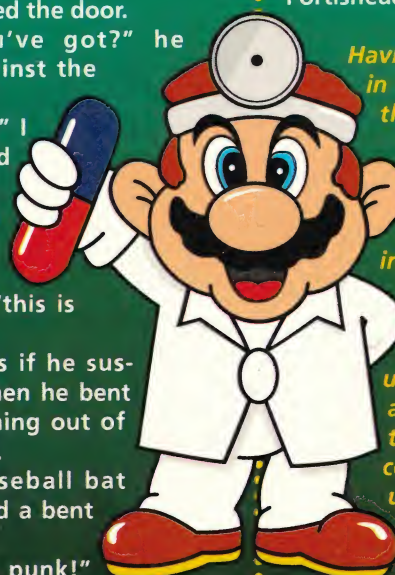
heavily on his foot. This put him off guard long enough for me to give him a strong right hook, knocking him unconscious.

The doctor says he has a mental condition which can only be cured by playing Pit Fighter for an hour each day. Please, find it in your heart to send me this game which I shall gratefully pass on to him. Thank you kind sir.

PS Your mag is the greatest in the world. We love it.

PPS We're counting on your infinite generosity. Thank you once again.

Tim Clare and Daryl Barrett-Cross, Portishead, Avon



Having consulted our own specialist in the field, the doctor recommends that your friend needs no more than to read GB Action from cover to cover every month. A recent report from a medical journal indicated an hour playing Pit Fighter every day will probably only cause a terminal bout of depression.

Nice try, but the beating him up bit cost you. GB Action can arouse great emotion among those fortunate enough to read a copy but we're afraid that beating up a friend cannot be condoned.

At such a bargain price I'm sure that in the spirit of friendliness, and to spread the gospel according to GB Action, you could've just bought your friend his own copy. I hope you've learned a valuable lesson from this. Ahem.

Dyna-confusion

Dear GB Action,

Is Super Bomberman coming out on the Game Boy?

Jayne Parish, Mid Glamorgan

Jayne, Jayne, Jayne, you've obviously been confused by the name change. Super Bomberman was released ages ago in those dark, pre-GB Action days under the name Dynablast. It's so old that you may be able to pick it up for about a tenner. Pretty damn smart it is too. Well worth a tenner if you see it lying around.

Praise to Manga

Dear GB Action,

I'm writing in response to the annoying letter from Susan Vickers.

I would like to thank you for doing features on Manga, I love it! I hope to see plenty more Manga in future issues!

As for those ungrateful people who complain about you doing reviews on

Manga, GB Action have only got your best interests at heart, so check out Manga or get left behind.

Chris Lam, Slough

Manga coverage lives on in GB Action.

We had to put it in the news this month to make room for the photostory but it'll be back in soon! So check out GBA every month and keep informed.

Eh?

Dear GB Action,

How do you become a member of your excellent mag?

I have been getting your mag for months now but I keep forgetting to send you a letter to be a member.

Thanks for reading my letter.

Dave Megennis, Standon, Herts.

Well Dave, there is no GB 'club' as such to which you could become a member. But by people writing to us and letting us know their opinions on all things Game Boy we can keep the ideas and interest in the Game Boy scene flowing.

Questions!

Dear GB Action,

I have a couple of questions I would like you to answer. And the new look of GB Action is great, better than any other mag.

1. Can you tell me what rating Track and Field got?

2. What is the best game for the Game Boy?

3. Are there any cheats for Batman on the Game Boy?

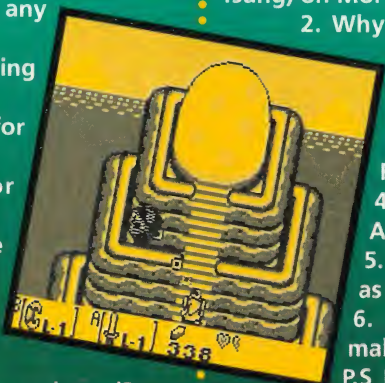
4. Could you do some more compos?

5. When is the first American football game coming out?

6. When is Zelda going to be reviewed?

7. How long do you have to wait when you order from Console Plus?

Scott Allcock, Birmingham



Okay, so I've given in and decided to answer a list of questions. Be warned, it won't happen too often, it's your opinions and ideas we're after. Most questions have been answered over the months so all you need to do is check out GB Action every month and keep informed.

1. 90%, it's pretty good.

2. Well, everybody reckons Zelda, without a doubt except Andy who insists it's Dr. Franken. What do you think?

3. Sure are. On the title screen hold up and right on the pad. Press start and wait for the Sound Test <None> to appear for a special treat! Also, on stage four, just after the first continue point there are two collapsing platforms. Jump to the first then second and hold right to enter a secret passage with a 1-up and a batarang power up. Helpful enough?

4. We do as many compos as space allows and will continue to bring you as many as is humanly possible.

5. Play Action Football by Nintendo was out on import ages ago and scored a whopping 52%. NFL Football is another American

footie game which might still be available and NFL Quarterback Club may hit these shores sometime in the New Year.

6. What's going on? We received your letter a whole ten days after the Christmas issue hit the shelves and you haven't realised that the Zelda review was in it? And we're going to all this trouble to answer your questions as well. A regular order at your newsagents might be in order!

7. Console Plus are pretty swift in the turn-around stakes for orders. If you send a cheque you'll have to give seven days for it to clear but a postal order will give an immediate delivery.

More questions!

Dear GB Action,

First of all the inevitable congrats on a fab magazine, and then some questions:

1. Can you play the bosses (Goro and Shang Tsung) on Mortal Kombat?

2. Why can't Capcom make SF2 on the Game Boy? We don't mind if they don't have all the characters.

3. Should I get an Action Replay?

4. Is Kung-fu Master (£9.99 in Argos) any good?

5. Why don't you offer a game as your Star Letter prize?

6. I own Akira, will they ever make an Akira game?

P.S If you can buy pirate 4-in-1

carts, why don't Nintendo make some official ones with older games on. Tetris, Revenge of the Gator, F1 Race and Tennis would be great!

Edward Staines, Bedford

1. The only way we know of doing this is by using the Action Replay codes printed in issue 19. For those who may have missed them (why did you miss them?), type 030X1DD6 and enter 6 as X for Goro and 7 for Tsung.

2. Don't hold your breath but Capcom may be contemplating such a move. Is it really a good idea to compromise the qualities which have made Streetfighter such a top

game by fitting it into the specs of the Game Boy?

3. The Action Replay device along with the Game Genie can really help to give games either a longer life, or shorter life if you're trying to complete something.

4. It got a humungous 52% in the GB Action Guide to Official Releases which was free way back in issue 1. Not that good really.

5. Well we might. The thing is most of the letters we are getting are just lists of questions such as this. What we're after is opinions and ideas. Also the idea of writing to the mag should be to express opinions or give us information and not just write something for the sake of winning a prize. If we think a letter really deserves a prize then it gets a prize.

6. Yes. Watch this space for more details coming very soon.

Your idea for multi-game carts is a good one. As some fairly decent games disappear from view just because they're over a year old it would seem to make sense to resurrect them on a multi-game cart and offer real value for money. Like the Four-in-one funpaks from Console Plus we've reviewed recently. You never know what Nintendo may come up with so keep them crossed!



Dear GB Action,

I am congratulating you on a truly excellent mag. I can honestly say that you are extremely clever by allowing at least 2 - 3 whole pages for readers' advertising (free). That is usually the main reason why I get your mag, apart from all the great new releases reviews and I value your expert opinions on the games you review.

I thank you and hope you will carry this great work on.
Matt Harris, Merseyside.

A touch of self-congratulation here but we had a complaint in last month and it's good to know that the mag is appreciated. We want to know more of your opinions and ideas on what's good and, god forbid, not so good in the mag. So let's have some views rather than lists of questions. Anyway, thanks Matt, we're glad you like it.

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BUYERS GUIDE

Somewhere in the UK there's probably someone who's never heard of the GB Action buyer's guide. How empty their life must be.

PLATFORMS

Addams Family

Ocean

Although graphically this may not be tremendous, it's a fun and challenging game with plenty there for the taking. Competent and cute, it'll appeal to any platform loving fan of the movie. 80%

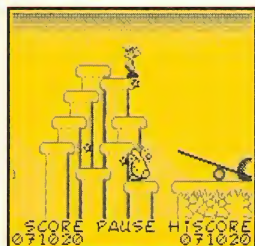
Adventure Island I & II

Hudson Soft

Two playable if not overtly difficult romps taking you around various islands in a bid to find your lost girlfriend. Nothing new on display yet nothing to slate either. 70%

Asterix

INFOGRAMES



A well buckled together and challenging romp through a richly diverse range of lands is what you're getting yourself into with this lively game. Nothing unique about it and very much in the Mario vein, with plenty of finger flexing to set your pulse racing. Tres bon! 82%

Alien 3

Acclaim

The bitch is back in a search and seek out the baddies puzzling extravaganza. Plenty of exploration, and maze-like complexities that make for a teasing and very enduring challenge against the aliens. 90%

Alien Vs Predator

Activision

It's not too quick on the scrolling front but the aliens are crawling about everywhere at incredible

speeds and watching the radar screen is the best help you can have. 84%

Bart Simpson's Escape from Camp Deadly

Acclaim

A fun and addictive cartoon licence that does Bart justice. In what other game do you get a full-on food fight? With arcade overtones and lots and lots of challenging layers, this will certainly take some beating. 86%

Batman

Sunsoft

A platform-cum-shoot'em-up that models itself on the golden Super Mario Land. Batman romps along at a very snappy pace with tons of triggers to pull on the baddies. No sign of Robin though. 80%

Batman: Return of the Joker

Sunsoft

Dead, dead tough but certainly worth plugging away at, this gets old rubber-pants' sequel off to a good start. Truly excellent sound FX and well snazzy graphics complement the gameplay. Loads of mileage for your hard earned money assured. 87%

Bill and Ted's Excellent Game Boy Adventure

Acclaim

A truly excellent game for any bodacious player that'll appeal to everyone. Pretty damn hard but pleasantly so, each stage presents a tip top challenge. Graphics are naff but gameplay is ace. 90%

Blues Brothers

Titus

Time for a true merry go round of fun and frivolity as you cruise up and down stairways and along pulleys in a desperate search for your missing instruments. Brill music and graphics and a solid platform romp around rock 'n' roll land make it a worthy addition to any collection. 90%

Bomb Jack

Infogrames

A very simple but addictive arcade conversion in which you boing

around the screen destroying fused bombs. There's 60 levels to negotiate if you can last the pace. 80%

Bubble Bobble

Taito

A stormer of a game. Extremely addictive, it's first rate action from the word go with over 200 levels and OKish graphics. Packed full of fun but the password codes make it easier than it should be. 87%

Bubble Ghost

FCI

Blow a bubble, carefully guiding it through 50 odd hazard infested screens. A game difficult enough for hardened players who think that platform romps are easy. 90%

Castlevania 2

Konami

A very enjoyable vampire themed game and one for die hard players to sink their fanged teeth into. It's much more than just a glorified platform romp as you swing around on ropes and grapple with castle keepers for your life. 86%

Dragon's Lair

Elite

Incredibly hard but dead playable all the same. Graphic detail is super stunning as you do anything but roller coaster along collecting hundreds of pieces of a Life Stone. 88%

Duck Tales

Capcom

Set over five levels, there's plenty of exploration to get on down to with everyone's fave Disney characters. Although competent, playable and graphically well presented, some find it too easy in the long run. 81%

Edd the Duck

LASERBEAM

Set over 12 levels this has all the ingredients of a fun-filled romp yet none of the longevity or class to make it too memorable. Edd's a zippy mover, perhaps too much so at times as sheer momentum rather than skill carries him through some levels. Not

bad but a bit like Taz-Mania. 77%

Fire Fighter

MINDSCAPE

Quite a nice attempt at moving away from the traditional platform environment. You play firefighters rescuing babies and damsels in distress from burning infernos in a warehouse, office block, etc. 78%

The Flintstones

TAITO

Yabba-dabba-doo! There's no need to get that excited because this is another stone age platform romp with admittedly excellent graphics. 78%

Hook

Ocean

Mixing both flying and beat'em-up sections with the traditional platform thrills, this is a quality release. Some really great graphics and unstoppable gameplay make for a treat. 85%

Joe and Mac

ELITE

A clobberingly good platformer hard enough to lure even the toughest of gamers into its snare. Cute graphics and mad antics make for great entertainment through nine levels. 89%

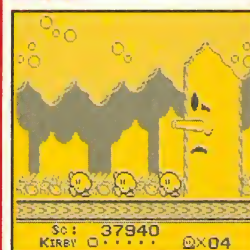
Kid Dracula

KONAMI

Although it would seem to be aimed at the younger market, the kid does his best to give you a challenge to sink your teeth into. 84%

Kirby's Dream Land

Nintendo



A gorgeously animated and incredibly cute romp around pixie land. The hero Kirby sucks in baddies, then spits them out around six levels. Although very easy it's got bags and bags of fluffy loveability. In other words buy this game. 89%

Looney Tunes

Sunsoft

A fun and highly enjoyable hike with super sparkling cartoon characters, simply gorgeous graphics and more than ample variety. It's instantly appealing but not, unfortunately, too long lasting. 90%

McDonaldland

Ocean

A competent enough and quite enjoyable jaunt although it doesn't even try to offer anything new. A bit of a cross really between The Blues Brothers, Mario and a Big Mac. 80%

Mega Man I, II & III

Capcom

Although all three games don't differ much in terms of style or gameplay, the challenge just becomes greater. Mega games for the Game Boy with tons of robotic fury and swiftness combined with endless thrills and spills. Mega! 90%

Parasol Stars

Ocean

Fight through seven levels broily bashing everything in sight with some fearsome raindrops. Graphics are pukingly cute with ultra-dreamy sprites and you'll need tons of stamina and concentration to make any headway. 79%

Popeye 2

ACTIVISION

A darn fine escapade for Popeye the sailor man. He's a fine mover and graphics are clean and not over fussy with plenty of variety through the levels. Modelled blatantly on Mario, it's not as challenging as it could be but there are lots of secret bits to find. 83%

Pugsley's Scavenger Hunt

OCEAN

Not half as entertaining, nor anywhere near as challenging as the first Addams Family game. Graphics and sound FX are minimal and the game merely consists of fatso waddling around the mansion bopping enemies with his overweight bum. 71%

Rodland

STORM/SALES CURVE

Simply executed and mindless meanie bopping is pleasantly entertaining with a strange charm in this sickeningly cute game. Very repetitive but nevertheless well worth a play about on. 79%

Speedy Gonzales

SUNSOFT

Just what the doctor ordered! A really smart, genuinely fast six levels of unceasing taco-fuelled manic mayhem! Speedy Gonzales exudes death to hedgehogs from every pore as he

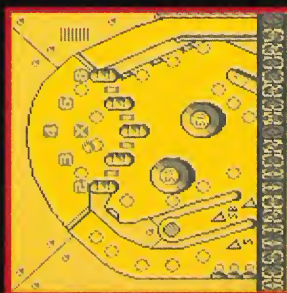
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Pinball Dreams

Gametek

Silver ball action of the slick-est kind. Three competitive tables pack an arcade full of features. An essential purchase for Pinball Wizards, enchanting. Lives up to its name and really is a dream come true. One of the most playable carts, You'll be hooked. 92%



Prince of Persia

MINDSCAPE

Silky smooth animation is just the polish on this very sweet turkish delight of an exploration platform game. With some very difficult problems to get around and lots of fast-ing appeal it's a more mature adventure. The opening levels are perfectly designed to get you into the comprehensive controls, the final levels keep you playing on and on. 90%

Lemmings

OCEAN

The monochrome Lemmings may lack the cuteness of their console big brothers but the playability is there in full effect. 100 levels will keep you up all night, on the bus past your stop, and use up all your spare battery collection. Puzzle players will find a last-

rescue his mates. Definitely recommended. 90%

Spider-Man 1, 2 & 3

Acclaim

If you avoid the first game in this series, you'll have a fine web-sling of a time with a beautifully animated Spidey sprite. Levels are richly diverse as the webbed wonder defeats deadly dozens of dastardly foes. Be warned though, Spider-Man 3 is horribly difficult and huge heaps of mind-warping frustration may spoil your fun. 83%

Super James Pond

Ocean

Make it a meatier challenge and this may well have been a straightforward winner. As it is it certainly invites plenty of exploration with lots of winsome characterisation and graphics, but there just aren't enough baddies to occupy you fully. It's also a mite difficult to see what's going on at times on account of the constantly black backgrounds. 80%

Star Wars

UBI SOFT

Varied and absorbing. This lasts longer than a Tatoin Winter and is far more fun. With a playably faithful version of the film's event it's a class product, even Obi Wan wouldn't be able to criticise it. May the force be with you — you'll need it! 92%

Super Hunchback

Ocean



Addictive gameplay and humorous touches make this one platform game that stands out from the crowd. Rescuing Esmerelda will be a task to cherish for any dedicated platform nut. Almost as good as the ancient arcade game. What more is there to say? 91%

Super Mario Land

Nintendo

Released to coincide with the launch of the Game Boy itself, it may be showing its age in terms of graphic style but you can't take anything away from the absolutely fantastic gameplay. Certainly one to keep coming back to. 92%

Super Mario Land 2

Nintendo

A cuddly and quite exquisite platform caper that absorbs and also expands on its infamous predecessor with distinct worlds to explore and secret rooms to find. The only fault is that the battery back-up makes it far too easy, thus spoiling an otherwise excellent platform game. 90%

Talespin

CAPCOM

Jolly graphics, chirpy music and some nicely weird scrolling fail to add up to a terribly captivating licence. At least it stars Baloo from The Jungle Book, and you can hum 'Bear Necessities' to yourself while playing it. 73%

Taz-Mania

TOY HEADQUARTERS

Luckily for THQ, Taz marks a turning point in their fortunes. It's an actually quite good platform romp with an endearingly hungry and dizzy central character munching everything in sight. It is a bit like Edd the Duck though. 76%

Tiny Toon Adventures

KONAMI

Cutesy pie graphics and wonderful slickness make this a real visual treat. Jolly along with some great imaginative gameplay and what do you get? A hugely playable romp to be savoured that is in no way as easy as it first seems. 89%

Titus the Fox

Titus

Graphically this is extremely detailed and Titus is a lively little character but there's just not enough bite on offer here. Gameplay ambles slowly along rather than gallops and each background resembles the next. Crazy platform action with a cute fox thrown in for good measure. 67%

Zool

Gremlin

Zool is really quick. Gremlin have included enough options to make it seem like you're customising your own game. If you need a new challenge to test those thumbs, Zool is exactly what you're looking for. 92%

BEAT'EM-UPS

Battletoads

Trade West

Time to set about rescuing your pals in a clobber happy battle with shades of a platformer chucked in there. A great little game that's action all the way. An absolute office fave. 91%

Lethal Weapon

Ocean

Action is go, go, go and the game

does improve the more progress you make but there is a lack of moves to perform, making it more dull than exciting. 72%

Mortal Kombat

ACCLAIM

Even without the blood and guts, colour, Johnny Cage, and that ole 16-bit magic, Mortal Kombat is still a highly successful conversion. You beat people up, surprise, surprise, but in a number of endearingly vicious but sadly PG-rated ways. 87%

Raging Fighter

KONAMI

A slap happy, stumble over your shoelaces game rather than a full blooded raging fight. There's seven fighters to choose from and a vast array of moves, but it hasn't quite enough guts to punch you. 74%

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles

Ultra Games

Will they ever stop taunting us with their ridiculousness? Run along the scrolling scenery while beating up warriors, yeah, dead boring. Graphics are pretty cool but they can't redeem this game. 59%

SHOOT'EM-UPS

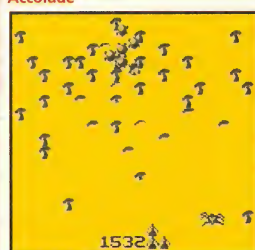
Asteroids

Accolade

A faithful blow by blow version of the smash hit coin-op. Old as the hills but still loved by millions. It looks a bit jaded on the old 'Boy and is very barren, yet has tons and tons of nostalgia value. 73%

Centipede

Accolade



Based on the ancient coin-op success, this remains faithful to its grandad and has been converted to the little screen as well as could be expected. Hugely repetitive and simple, it becomes a little wearisome sooner rather than later. An old classic back from the dead. 60%

Drop Zone

Mindscape

A golden oldie with all the concentration on gameplay and none on graph-

ic detail. It packs a punch but is just far too hard and samey to offer serious long-term appeal. 77%

Faceball 2000

Bullet-Proof

Basically Pacman in 3D as you travel at break-neck speeds around a maze of corridors, zapping hordes of others in your way. Average in one player mode the fun really starts when up to four players begin to compete. Then its above average, just. 76%

Navy SEALs

Ocean

Control a crack team of undercover marines with some deadly missions to complete. Graphics are well above par but four levels don't sufficiently hold your interest for long enough. 73%

Nemesis 1 & 2

Konami

Widely regarded as the ultimate definitive blasts on the diddy screen, and quite rightly so. They're fast-paced trigger-happy palaver right from the off and quite tough to get your teeth into. Needs perfection on the reflex front. Will you ever reach the end? 90%

Pang

HUDSON SOFT

Extremely simple yet immensely compulsive, all you have to do is trek around the world popping bubbles which then divide into smaller bubbles and so on. Only the sharpest of shooters will survive in this gentle shooty game which holds a lot of lasting charm. 74%

Probotector

KONAMI

Gung-ho blast and be damned warfare at its very, very fiercest. If GB blasting is your cup of tea, then you can't go far wrong with this bundle of dynamite. Red hot. In fact, hotter than a very hot thing! 91%

RoboCop 2

Ocean

An improvement on the first game yet still not particularly awe inspiring as RoboCop wipes out drugs and thugs and tries hard to uphold the law. The difficulty setting is just right to make it worth a little look. 73%

R-Type I & II

Irem

Venture into the blackness of space for a blasting freak's dream. Everything here is represented to the best of the 'Boy's ability and is superbly drawn. Not much to choose between them. 88%

StarHawk

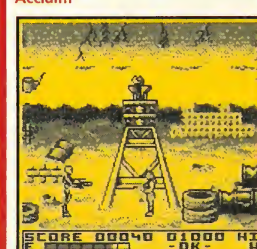
ACCOLADE

Alien blasting that follows the norm

as you shoot through the scrolling heavens. It's very detailed and well presented but innovation has been overlooked and each of the five worlds lack originality. 69%

Terminator 2

Acclaim



A six stage shoot'em-up that comes across as an excellent movie licence with plenty of variety and toughness to cope with. Quite complicated with loads of messy backgrounds and numerous sprites in there, but certainly guaranteed to last you a long, long time. 84%

Terminator 2: The Arcade Game

Acclaim

A head-on attack of ultra violence, nothing more, nothing less. Backdrops are complicated and it's easy to lose your target among the rubble and figure out just what you're supposed to annihilate. 76%

Xenon II

Mindscape

A vertically scrolling blast through molluscs and weird deep sea creatures. Graphic detail is well researched but gameplay itself is too tame to be worthy of a trip down memory lane. 63%

DRIVING GAMES

Days of Thunder

Mindscape

Not really fast enough to satisfy racing pros and even fewer thrills and spills to keep you coming back. I'll say this for it, the car drives nice and smoothly and its pretty hard. All in all, though, its just too bland to get a remotely decent mark. 41%

F-1 Race

Nintendo

A roaring speedster of a game that comes with a four-play link-up adaptor to make for one heckuva big monster of a top competitive challenge. Fast and frantic, it plays like a big bag of dreamy juicy sweetmeats. 88%

Motocross Maniacs

Palcom

Graphically simplistic, this little gem

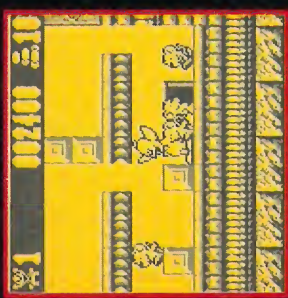
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ing challenge to fall in love with and want to marry. 95%

Krusty's Fun House

ACCLAIM

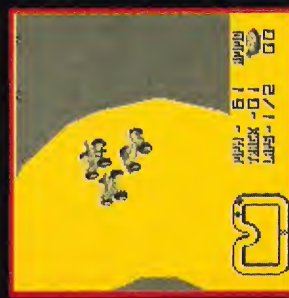
Hi Kids! Bart's all time fave TV show trips onto the green screen with class. A platform puzzler that's got very little to do with the Simpsons (aww), but everything to do with infuriatingly addictive gameplay! The 60 plus levels will take ages to battle through. The ability to play the levels in any order, plus passwords to keep you going when you get stuck, a very good package. 92%



Super RC Pro Am

NINTENDO

Slick fast and playable, loads of tracks and the four playerLink option offers the greatest multi player fun the 'Boy can offer. Car upgrades, weapons and tough competitors keep the fun going when you're playing alone. The sort of game you can just pick up for a quick game and play all day. Full of fun, the Link option must be played to be believed. 89%



oozes sheer playability with eight different courses and lots of loop the loops to enjoy. Obstacle packed, and full of frenzy it's a near perfect biking simulation. 80%

Race Drivin'

TOY HEADQUARTERS

Lots of mean machines and fiendish circuits to choose from and good 3D perspective make this an easy-to-get-into, but challenging, sim. The ramps are cool. 73%

SPORTS

All-Star Challenge 2

ACCLAIM

This is basketball on half a court with side on and facing the basket views. Tons of options and top quality graphics don't really create as much sweaty feel as you'd like though and its appeal is limited. 74%

Bases Loaded

JALECO

A heckuva good baseball simulation that, once perfected, will offer hours of enjoyment. The graphics and sound aren't particularly hot but the game's controllable enough and builds up just the right amount of tension to give you a run for its money. 87%

Hit The Ice

TAITO

Unfortunately this game doesn't quite hit the mark. OK, it plays well enough yet lacks that certain je ne sais quoi to live up to expectations. Playable only as a diversion rather than full blooded sports action ice hockey. 73%

Jack Nicklaus Golf

Trade West

Simple to play with a great learning curve and good realistic graphics. As with real life golf you can never truly master the game but it's enjoyable to try. If the televised Ryder Cup's inflamed your golfing appetite then try this. 80%

Jordan Vs Bird

Electronic Arts

Not a full blown basketball simulation, more like a game involving two players, one basket and a ball. Doesn't really work as well as it might have done. Not the best basketball game around. 73%

Mario Golf

Nintendo

With everything you could possibly need for a few rounds and a battery back-up to boot, this is a near perfect sim for budding enthusiasts with plenty of different holes to negotiate. Fore! 80%

Mario Tennis

Nintendo



Mario and Luigi battle it out with backhands and volleys in this wonderfully realistic sim. Just about the best possible Tennis game you could fit on the screen. It's fast, addictive and four difficulty levels calls for sound tactical thinking. This gets played a lot round the office. 89%

Sensible Soccer

Sony Imagesoft

There's plenty of footballing action to enjoy here. The action gets quite intense scrambles leading to sore thumbs and sweaty palms. Sensi just might be right up your street. 85%

Tip Off

Imagineer

With two teams moving at an incredible speed it's difficult to figure out just what the heck's going on and the whole caboodle thus disintegrates into a blurred mess. Not one of the greatest basketball sims on the shelves to say the least. 64%

Track and Field

Konami

Leaving all other sports sims standing perfectly still, this game is tough enough and varied enough to guarantee great mileage. Get to compete in various challenges, and try to come out top of the pile. 90%

SIMULATIONS

F-15 Strike Eagle

Microprose

The ultimate flight simulation with tons of acrobatic dogfights and targets to zoom in on. Graphics and sound are great and the control system is simple to master. 87%

Phantom Air Mission

ACTIVISION

An ambitious attempt at a flight sim which, on the whole, works out quite well. In between take-off, sorties and refuelling you have to use your radar to track down enemy craft. Unfortunately, each mission has a somewhat uncanny resemblance to the last, so you may well become bored too quickly. 72%

PUZZLERS

Boxle 1 & 2

FCI

You shift around a selection of boxes, moving them to their correct position as indicated by a marker. Sounds boring but it isn't. Two real brain teasers make a pleasant change from more run-of-the-mill offerings. A pretty good effort in all. 80%

Garfield

KEMCO

Doesn't stray too far off the beaten track as far as puzzlers go, but still an enjoyable play with a password option that sustains your interest through some of the more difficult labyrinths. Garfield drills through blocks, finds keys and opens gates to get into new rooms, all while warding off the nasty villains. 87%

4 In 1 Funpak II

Interplay

Each superficially simplistic game does have sufficient nuances for plenty of goes before the craving for something with pace sets in. All four have long since passed the test of time in their original forms. 81%

The Humans

Gametek

Plenty of mind bending puzzles around as you direct a bunch of gormless neanderthals over 28 varied terrains. Well presented, tons to chew over and a very good Lemmings side-line. It might get a little bit tedious if this isn't your cup of tea. A potential rival to that classic Lemmings. 87%

Kwirk

Acclaim

Guide a tomato through single screen maze-like rooms, shifting boxes and filling holes. Doesn't sound much I know, but rather good anyway. 88%

Q*bert

Nintendo

Set on an isometric pyramid of three dimensional cubes you jump up and down to change the overall colour. A classic old Atari game and a stupid idea, but one which is enjoyable. 83%

Splitz

Imagineer

A mind warping game that's just like a slide puzzle only this time you piece together the faces of famous people. This is one cool challenge with loads of skill required. Excellent fun. Elvis spotted in Game Boy game!!! 85%

Tetris

NINTENDO

You all know the score with this famous old bird. Move various shapes around the screen to form lines and advance to further levels. Addictive,

but in a strange lego block-frustration type manner. 95%

Yoshi's Cookie

NINTENDO

A bit similar to Tetris but only half as addictive. Lines of five cookies zoom in from the top and side of the screen and you have to match up similar ones to make them disappear. The further in you get the faster they fly. Trading on the name one thinks. 76%

ROLE PLAY

Battle of Olympus

Imagineer

Set in ancient Greece this is a huge game that's bound to draw you into a long and exciting epic. Graphically excellent it involves a hefty whack of well presented violence alongside good interaction with all the freaky characters who offer you clues and set you on your many missions. 87%

Mystic Quest

Nintendo

A hugely engrossing arcade adventure that should last a long while. There's a multitude of mental puzzles to solve and places to explore. It's a veritable role-playing super dream treat. Also known as Final Fantasy Adventure. 85%

Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves

Mindscape

Both combat, skill and puzzle orientated with some damn fine character interaction along with plenty of fun. This is full of riches for any role play fan and aspiring man in tights. Difficult to get into at first, true enough, but well worth the effort if you stick with it. 85%

Ultima: Runes of Virtue

FCI

A massive adventure that'll take tons to finish. Punishing but also compelling as you search for the runes in the wilderness, mingling hack 'n' slay episodes with a great deal of brain rummaging. 79%

MISCELLANEOUS

Bart Vs the Juggernauts

Acclaim

As Bart Simpson you must master the total art of skateboarding, weightlifting and square hopping in a series of diverse and stupidly hard events requiring great skill, strength and strategy. It will take you ages in order to get it right. 85%

Castle Quest

Sony Imagesoft

There's plenty to like about Castle Quest. There's a lot to it as well. For strategy fans it's a must. It's challenging, engaging, infuriating and com-

elling. Castle Quest would look good in any collection. 89%

Chessmaster

Hi tech Expressions

A stunningly accurate portable conversion of the age old classic concentration board-game with nothing omitted. Clear and concise, if you love chess, you'll love this to bits. Recommended to all you budding chessmasters out there in the great beyond! Plays a much better game than Nigel Short! 91%

Choplifter II

JVC

Lots to see, and loads to do, and lots to get you well and truly involved in this helicopter sim cum shoot'em-up. Graphics don't amount to anything much really but playability is where it really comes good. All in all an alright shoot'em-up. 78%

Crash Dummies

Acclaim

A quite original and chuckalicious game that offers more variety than is at first apparent. There may well be only five easy basic levels but things really do start to hot up with even more obstacles to avoid second and third time around. Easy to get hooked on. Clunk click, every single trip! 87%

Jurassic Park

Ocean

A fairly playable collect 'em up without the action you'd expect from the film. Searching for eggs becomes boring but the rest is pretty good. Graphics are stylish but maybe could have been better. There's plenty to do and see, but its no classic. Fans of the film should take a look. 85%

Populous

Imagineer

Want an intense personal challenge with a learning curve? You've got one. Want to play God? You ARE God! Hours of involvement and strategy to be had as you, playing God, govern the fortunes of your subjects. Thoroughly engrossing. 91%

Rampart

MINDSCAPE

Build or die in a medieval heave-ho involving power, battle and bricks. It's tough and frantic as you rebuild walls within a time-limit and prepare for much rougher onslaughts. 83%

Revenge of the 'Gator

Nintendo

A delightful pinball game and very addictive. There are five different tables, bonus rooms, realistic ball motion and loads of buzzes, bells and bleeps. The scrolling is a bit jerky but the gameplay is easily good enough to ignore that. 87%

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Alfred Chicken

MINDSCAPE

Possibly the best platformer of the lot. What more needs to be said? Challenging, addictive and a fine purchase, if you are sick of platforms then this is the perfect cure. Play it through, then play it again and again. Superb. 92%



Best of the Best: Championship Karate

LORENCE

This red blooded bruiser lives up to its name in a perfect conversion of the SNES cruncher. Loads of moves, speed and will to win, it really knocks the competition out for the count. Don't sit there dreaming about SF2, go out and go a few rounds with this this knock out cart. 93%

The Legend Of Zelda

NINTENDO

The attention to detail is unsurpassed in any other game. In Zelda, Link's Awakening Nintendo have pushed the boundaries of Game Boy gaming to a new level. Without doubt the best game on the market. Nobody will be disappointed with Zelda. 96%

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- Will swap Pro Action Replay for Alfred Chicken and any accessory. Tel: 0284 766103.
- I will swap my Chase HQ, Turrican or Tetris for your Pinball Dreams, Lemmings or Super Mario Land 2. Call 081 890 1888 or write to: A Roast, 79 Staines Road, Feltham, Middlesex TW14 0JS.
- I will swap my Home Alone 2 or Super Mario Land for Tiny Toons, Mortal Kombat or Looney Tunes. Please phone 0908 316966 after 4pm on any day. For Game Boy please!!!!
- I will swap my Super Mario Land for your good games, preferably Fire Fighter, Kirby's Dream Land, Jurassic Park or The Empire Strikes Back. Hurry! Ring me on 0276 62371 after 5pm. Other good games will be considered.
- Swap Game Boy games Populous, Super Hunchback, Super RC Pro-Am, T2: Arcade Game, Terminator 2, Super Mario Land, Speedball 2, Pit-Fighter, Tetris, Turrican, Side Pocket or Double Dragon for almost any game, especially Mortal Kombat, Best of the Best or Lemmings. Write to: M Davis, 2 Red Admiral Drive, Abbeymead, Glos GL4 7ET, or phone 0452 611516.
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- I will swap my Metroid II or Dynablaster for Speedy Gonzales, Super Mario Land, Super RC Pro-Am, Darkwing Duck or The Chessmaster. Must be in mint condition. Phone 0324 612762 after 5pm.
- I will swap Super Hunchback, Track and Field, Tiny Toons, Bart/Camp Deadly, Castlevania Adventure, Hook or Blades of Steel for Mortal Kombat, Asterix, The Fidgetts, Crash Dummies, Kid Dracula, Speedy Gonzales, Taz-Mania, Addams Family 2 or Raging Fighter. 2 for 1? Ring 0793 827594.

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SALES & SWAPS

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Bart Vs Juggernauts or Tiny Toons, or sell WWF 2 for £14 and Japanese game for £12. Call 0272 491511, oh go on please.

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• Will swap Duck Tales, Nemesis, Mario Golf, Terminator 2, Mega Man I or F-1 Race (all mint) for Lemmings or The Chessmaster (1 to 1), or will sell. Phone 0484 541564.

• For sale Duck Tales £9, Battletoads and Crash Dummies £15 each, Super Mario Land 2 and F-1 Race. Or swap £15 game for Revenge of the Gator. Phone 0291 423653.

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• Wanted, McDonaldland or Zelda for Game Boy. Must have instructions and protective case. Will pay £10 for one of them. Phone 061 865 5074 after 6pm.

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• Wanted: 5 good games (including Tetris, Zelda, Populous or any other good games), £25 for the five. Must deliver or post, Coventry area. Phone 0203 672265.

• Wanted Mortal Kombat and Jurassic Park, will pay £10-12 each plus one of my games: Blades of Steel, Krusty's Fun House, Super Kick-Off, Dr Franken or Bart/Camp Deadly. Phone 0326 290439 after 6pm.

• Wanted: Game Boy games always wanted, especially recent ones including: Addams Family, Alfred Chicken, Faceball 2000, Football International, Jeep Jamboree, Looney Tunes, Pinball Dreams, Revenge of the Gator, Sensible Soccer, Super RC Pro-Am, Tiny Toons and Zelda. Up to £13 paid. To include box and instructions. Phone Mondays on 0323 833022.

• Wanted all Game Boy games going cheap. Send list and price. Must have case and instructions. Cheap or fair price should guarantee sale. Please write to: B Fitzgerald, c/o PT Randles, Main Street, Kenmare, Co Kerry, Eire.

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• Wanted: Revenge of the Gator, Q*Bert and Qix. Will pay £10+ with instructions. Will consider without. Phone 071 281 1091 and leave your message.

• Wanted any issues of GB Action issues 1-17. Also cheat books for SNES and Game Boy. Write to: K Dempsey, Carnew Road, Goney, Co Welford, Ireland. Phone Ireland 055 20252.

• Wanted any information on console shops in the North East that would fix

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SALES

• Game Boy games for sale: Gargoyle's Quest and Duck Tales, £10 each; Dr Franken with instructions £13. I will buy Mortal Kombat for £10. I have issues 14, 15 & 19 of GB Action for £1 each. Phone 0277 659711.

• For sale:- Game Boy, 6 highly rated games and Logic 3 carry case. Will also throw in 10 GB Action mags. If interested phone 0505 873481 for details.

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• Will sell Game Boy, link-up, light master, mains/recharger pack, earphones and 17 games including Super Mario Land 1 & 2, Jeep Jamboree, Batman, Double Dragon 2. All fully boxed with instructions except 2 carts. For £160. Contact 081 898 6189. Will not sell carts separately.

• For sale Game Boy game Nintendo World Cup, never used, still boxed, £15. Tel 0388 813974.

• I'm mad because I'm selling my Hand Boy and Handy Power kit along with Super Mario Land 2, Batman, Double Dragon 3, Terminator 2, Probotector, Mercenary Force and 4 other games, cheats and 14 game carry case, worth £300, sell for just £80 ono. I also want your SNES games and I am willing to pay £7 for Street Fighter II box. All games boxed with instructions! Phone 0734 866405 now!

• Game Boy for sale with R-Type II, Nintendo World Cup, Looney Tunes, power adaptor and Pro Action Replay. All only 2 weeks old complete with full instructions and boxes. All for £100 ono. Ring 0977 796582.

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• Game Boy for sale with 5 great games: Mortal Kombat, Battletoads, Batman, Tetris and Spider-Man 2, only £100. Ring 0509 215653, buyer must collect, Loughborough area.

• Mortal Kombat for sale £15, Spider-Man for sale £10, and Beetlejuice for sale £10. Phone 0775 761728.

• For sale Game Boy with 10 games including Revenge of the Gator and Super Mario Land. £170 ono. Original price £350. Plus 11 free issues of GB Action. Also light magnifier and 2 carry cases. Phone 0628 26785.

• For sale: Handy Boy (in box), Super Mario Land 2 (boxed), Joe and Mac (boxed), 16 back issues of GB Action and How to Win at Game Boy games by Jeff Rovin, £50 ono. Call 0908 663033 (Milton Keynes).

• For sale: Game Genie £18, Spider-Man £12, Prince Valiant £12, Prince of Persia £15, WWF Superstars £12, Duck Tales £12, and Hook £15. Total £96, or however many you want. Ring 0279 657705. Hurry!

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• For sale: Game Boy £20, Best of the Best £15, Super Hunchback £15, Krusty's Fun House £15, and battery pack/AC adaptor £15 ono. All games boxed with instructions. Phone 0386 860330.

• Game Boy for sale with 4 great games including Lemmings and Motocross Maniacs, carry case, light boy, 2 player adaptor and headphones including all instructions for games except one, £100 ono. Phone 0677 423024.

• For sale Game Boy and 11 games including WWF 2, Speedball 2, Mega Man II, Blades of Steel and Bart Vs Juggernauts. Also light boy, carry case and Nuby mains plug. Worth £320+, will sell for £150-200. Ring 0432 356069 between 6-9pm.

• Game Boy, 5 games, 2 player leads, 4 player adaptor, game light, carry case and headphones in vgc. Worth £200, sell for £90. Tel: 0326 250148, Cornwall.

• Game Boy games for sale. I have over 20 top titles for as little as £5 and as much as £15 tops. You won't get a better deal off anyone else. Phone Coventry 0203 447369 for details.

• Game Boy with 9 games, AC adaptor, light magnifier, 2 carry cases, all boxed, £110. Phone 0244 329295 after 6pm.

• For sale: Boulder Dash, Tiny Toons and Batman: Return of the Joker, boxed, £15 each; Fortress of Fear, unboxed, £10; Mortal Kombat, only used twice, boxed, £20 only. Phone 071 626 3510.

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Lemmings, Mario Tennis, Terminator 2, Dynablast, The Punisher and Mario & Yoshi. Worth £255, sell for £120 ono. Call 0272 649371 now.

• Listen! I will sell my Game Boy, Mario Golf, Bo Jackson 2-in-1, Bugs Bunny Crazy Castle, Jordan Vs Bird, Dr Mario and Tetris, earphones, rechargeable batteries and charger and 2 player lead. All games in cases, a couple fully boxed, most with instructions. All of that lot for only £75 ono. If interested, phone 081 958 2829. First come, first served!

• For sale back issues of GB Action 7-14 and 17, 50p each. Very good condition. Phone 0642 554725.

• Game Boy games for sale. I have Super Mario Land 2 and WWF 2, 1 year old, boxed with full instructions, £10-12 each. Call 0734 783765 after 3.30pm. Superb offer, shouldn't be missed.

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• For sale Game Boy £30, magnifier with light £8, Qix £8, or the lot for £35. Phone 0733 230097.

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• To all people who have not received a reply from Got A Good Name? Please write back and this time enclose a SAE stamped! Thank you.

• To D Walker. Sorry, but your letter asking us not to print the four ads arrived way too late, so printed they were. Hope this hasn't inconvenienced you too much. Keep reading. -Ads Typist.

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• Hi, I'm a 12 year old boy looking for a female penpal between 11-13. Must like music and Game Boy. All letters answered, photo would be nice. Write to: M Hewitt, 57 Raymond Road, Langley, Berkshire SL3 8LN.

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• Wanted! Male or female penpal! Any age. I'm aged 14. Game Boy not required. Photo will be appreciated. I will write back to everyone. I like music, videos and anything else.

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● Wanted female penpal. Must own pen and paper. Aged between 14 and 21, who enjoys music, going out, etc., anything. I enjoy sports, music, weightlifting and meeting new people. Write to: M Reay, 17 Canterbury Close, Luton, Beds LU3 2QY.

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● Hi! I am looking for a female penpal aged between 10-13. Must like swimming, pop music, reading and must own a Game Boy and a SNES. Photo if possible. Write to: K Demosthenous, 4A Elmore Street, London N1 3AL.

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● Penpals wanted (16+), male or female, don't have to own Game Boy, to write about life or anything you want. I am 17 years old and male. Write to: L Sales, 5 Hillhead Drive, Windmill Estate, Birstall, West Yorkshire WF17 0PA.

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● Game Boy Players Direct, the new club for Game Boy enthusiasts. Monthly newsletter with cheats, tips, advice, new releases, etc. Swap club and letters page. For more information send a large SAE to: T Conley, 23 Orchard Close, Hounsdown, Totton, Southampton SO4 4EZ. Tel: 0703 865247.

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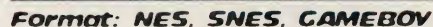
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